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FORMS
OF
PRAYER
FOR EVERY
Day in the Week,
MORNING and EVENING.

Compoſed for the uſe of

PRIVATE FAMILIES.

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THE PREFACE.

THat all Men are obliged to worſhip God by praiſing and praying to him, is ſo evident by the light of natural Reaſon, as well as the Revelation of Scripture, that none can queſtion it, but they whoſe Immoralities and improved Debaucheries, have laid ſuch a foundation of

Atheiſm as makes them inclinable to deny the Being of God, and loath to acknowledge their dependance upon him, leſt this ſhould involve them in the dreadful conſequence of their being accountable to him. And that men ought dayly to pay this Homage and Tribute of Praiſe and Prayer unto God, as they ſtand linked in the relations of Families, though all readily grant, that are ſenſible of the Sins there committed that need his Pardon, of the many Temporal and Spiritual bleſſings either wanted and to be ſought at his

his Hands, or injoyed, and to be thankfully acknowledged, yet the too common neglect of Family Prayer is (it's to be feared, and he muſt have a very eaſie and credulous charity that can be otherwiſe minded) not only one of the many inſtances of the decay of Piety and Religion, but one of the provoking Sins that cry aloud to Heaven for vengeance. It is no doubt by many totally omitted from an inſenſible ſtupidity,& an irreligious, profane diſregard of God and their Duty; but by others not a few (as was well and charitably

ritably ſuggeſted by the Good Man that earneſtly preſſed me to this undertaking) only from a conſcioufneſs of their inabibility decently to perform it. Now that this might be neither a feigned pretence nor a real hinderance: But that they that like *Joſhua* are willing and reſolved to ſerve God with their Families, might have Materials of Devotion ready at hand; As the Water near the Road, offered it ſelf to the Eunuch willing to be Baptized, I have for the help of ſuch as can read, complyed with my Friends deſire, and compoſed

a Form of Weekly Prayers, Morning and Evening. And though their length will not, I hope, be complained of by any whoſe leaſure may allow, and whoſe Affections can vigorouſly attend one quarter of an hours ſolemn and religious Addreſs to God: Yet in conſideration of others multiplicity of Buſineſs, and that flatting and depreſſion of Spirits that may follow from it; all the Prayers are printed in many diſtinct Paragraphs, that ſome of the Confeſſions or Petitions or both may eaſily, and without diſturbing their Devotion,

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be paſs'd over and the Prayer thereby ſo contracted as to ſuit their convenience: And I deſire they would rather do ſo than wholly omit the Duty, for better a ſhort Prayer than none at all.

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Lord's Day Morning.

ALmighty, moſt high and holy, Lord God, who art the glorious Creator, Preſerver, and Governour of all things in Heaven and in Earth, and moſt worthy to be praiſed, and honoured by all Creatures; And with infinite kindneſs and compaſſion haſt redeemed loſt, and undone Sinners, by thine only beloved Son, whom thou haſt delivered to death for their offences, and raiſed again for their juſtification, and ſo thou art for *Rom.* 4. ult.

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But we humbly beſeech thee, moſt merciful Father, forgive us all our paſt offences, that they may not ſtand as a partition Wall between thy Majeſty and us to hinder either thy Grace from coming down upon us as Rain upon the tender Herb, or our Prayers from coming up before thee as Incenſe.

Fill every one of our hearts with awful thoughts of thee, as a God that ſearcheſt hearts, and art throughly acquainted with our moſt ſecret imaginations, diſpoſitions and purpoſes; and becauſe thou art a God of purer Eyes than to behold iniquity, Let us worſhip thee with an holy worſhip; ſo as to fear thy Goodneſs, and love thy Juſtice, to delight in thy Mercy, truſt and rely upon thy Power and Faithfulneſs,

Faithfulneſs, to admire, praiſe and imitate thy Holineſs.

In the publick Duties and Services of this thy Day, help us ſo to joyn with the Aſſembly of thy Servants, that our hearts may be inflamed with a love of thee, and delight in thee, and in the vigour and fervency of devout affections, we may together glorifie thy holy and great Name, ſet forward our own edification, and comfort, and advance in thoſe ways of holineſs that lead to everlaſting happineſs: And ſeeing in great mercy and compaſſion to our Souls thou art pleaſed to continue to us thy Sabbaths, and the uſe of thine ordinances, which by our many and great ſins we have long ſince forfeited, Let us not, like Children ſitting in

Mat. 11. 16. the Market-place, trifle away the precious opportunities and means of Grace and Salvation.

Help us ſeriouſly to conſider, when we are in thine Houſe, the Habitation of thine Holineſs, *Pſal.* 26. 8. and the place where thine Honour dwelleth, the glorious Majeſty, and ſpotleſs perfect purity of that God with whom we have to do, and let us behave our ſelves in thy ſacred and dreadful preſence, with that reverence, and holy fear, that humility, and lowlineſs of mind, that ſimplicity, and godly ſincerity, that heavenly mindedneſs, and purity of affection, that firm conſtancy of reſolution to devote our ſelves to thee, by our hearty obedience to thy Laws, as it becomes duſt and aſhes, vile Creatures that dwell

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in houſes of Clay, when they worſhip and do homage to that Sovereign Majeſty, the Throne of whoſe Glory is in the higheſt heavens.

Let us hear thy holy Word, that ſhall be read and preached to us, as the Oracles of God, and thoſe Divine Meſſages which thou haſt ſent us from Heaven to guide us in the ways that lead thither. Let us hearken to it with diligent attention, imbrace it with holy and heavenly affections, rejoycing in the Promiſes, dreading the threatnings, loving and practiſing the commands of it, let us receive it with meekneſs and mix it with Faith, that it may be an ingrafted word to the ſalvation of our Souls. And as the Rain cometh down, & the Snow from *Jam.* 1. 21. *Heb.* 4. 2. *Iſa.* 55. 10, 11.

Heaven, and returneth not thither, but watereth the Earth, and maketh it bring forth Fruit, and bud, that it may give ſeed to the Sower, and bread to the eater; So let not thy Word, that goeth forth out of thy mouth, return to thee void, but accompliſh that which thou pleaſeſt, and proſper in the thing whereto thou haſt ſent it.

Help us to pray in faith and fervency, let all our petitions be addreſſed to the Throne of thy Grace, in the prevailing name of thy dear Son, and by the efficacy of thy holy Spirit, the Spirit of Supplication: And that the Prayers that we ſhall this day ſend up to Heaven may find a gracious acceptance with thee, Let the holy Ghoſt make interceſſion in our hearts, by exciting

Rom. 8. 26.

citing holy, humble, earneſt and hearty deſires, and let our bleſſed Redeemer make interceſſion in Heaven, and ſweeten all the diſpleaſing unſavorineſs of our Fleſh, with the Perfume of his Incenſe. *Rev.* 8. 3.

Let us give thanks unto thee with our whole hearts, and let all that is within us magnifie and praiſe thy Name, as for all thy mercies to our Souls and Bodies, for this Life and a better, ſo eſpecially for our Redemption, by the precious death and Sufferings of thy Son, and finiſhing that glorious work, by the raiſing him from the Dead. Raiſe up our Souls, O Lord, to the higheſt pitch of hearty thankfulneſs in the remembrance and ſenſe of thoſe ineſtimable benefits, that redound

dound to us and thy whole Church from this great and all-ſufficient Redeemer. And help us ſo to ſing praiſes to thee, and to the Lamb that ſits with thee upon thy Throne, that by praiſing thee on Earth, we may tune and prepare our hearts for thoſe glorious and triumphant Praiſes, that in Heaven will be the buſineſs and happineſs of thy Saints, to all Eternity.

Let us ſo carry our ſelves this whole day, as remembring thou haſt ſeparated and ſanctified it to thine own ſervice, and made Religion, which is the great Work of every day, the more proper and peculiar imployment of this.

Let us therefore make a difference betwixt the thoughts, the words, the practiſes of other days,

days, and this which thou haſt ſet apart to different purpoſes, and ſo ſanctifie this day of holy Reſt, and make it our delight, that we may be ſanctified and fitted for that perpetual Reſt that remains for thy People, and ſatisfied with thoſe Rivers of Pleaſures, that are at thy Right Hand for evermore. *Pſa. 16. ult.*

Bleſs, we beſeech thee, thy whole Church, and that part of it eſpecially which thou haſt planted in theſe Kingdoms. Pardon our many Sins, and remove far away from us whatever may provoke thy diſpleaſure, unſettle our foundations or diſturb our peace. Let thy Servant, our Sovereign Lord the King, find favour in thine Eyes, So bleſs Him in His Perſon, in His Counſels and Enterprizes, that

that upon his Head His Crown may long flouriſh, and His Government be a publick Bleſſing to theſe Kingdoms. Govern thoſe that govern under Him in Church and State, and let all His Subjects in their ſeveral Orders and Stations, do what lies in them, to the healing of our wide Breaches, the reſtoring of Chriſtian Love and Charity, the eſtabliſhment of Truth and *Eph.* 4. 3. Righteouſneſs, and keeping the Unity of the Spirit in the Bond of Peace.

Let all afflicted ones in what kind ſoever, find thy gracious hand ready for their relief and ſuccour, and by the more immediate working of thy holy Spirit, ſupply the want of thy publick ordinances to all that deſire them, and are by Impriſonment

ſonment, Baniſhment, Sickneſs or any other hinderance deprived of them, & let us that by thy ſpecial favour, are bleſſed with the rich and in eſtimable priviledge of injoying them, carefully improve them to a growth in Grace, and the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jeſus Chriſt, to an increaſe of Faith and all godlineſs, till we come to the full and perfect happineſs of an immediate injoying thee without them in thy heavenly and everlaſting Kingdom, by thy dear Son Jeſus Chriſt our ever bleſſed Redeemer, through whoſe Merit and Mediation, and in whoſe Form of Words, we are bold to call thee Father, ſaying,

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OUr Father which art in Heaven, hallowed be thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy Will be done in Earth, As it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily Bread. And forgive us our Treſpaſſes, As we forgive them that Treſpaſs againſt us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from Evil: For thine is the Kingdom, and the Power, And the Glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

Lord's

Lord's Day Evening.

EVer bleſſed, and gracious Lord God, and in Jeſus Chriſt our loving and merciful Father, and moſt liberal and open-handed Benefactor, from whoſe favour, and kindneſs, we have all the good things that we receive in this Life, and the hopes of a better to make us everlaſtingly happy in the next. We thy poor Servants acknowledging our manifold unworthineſs of the leaſt of thy mercies, and the guilt of thoſe ſins, whereby we have made frequent forfeitures of them, are here before thee, to offer up to thee our Evening Sacrifice of hearty praiſe and thanſgivings for

for all thoſe bleſſings that with a moſt free and unwearied bounty thou haſt been pleaſed to confer upon us, and continue to us.

Thy hand hath formed us in the Womb, given us Life, and Breath, and Being, and having brought us into the World, beſtowed on us many conveniencies of Life, that have made our Being in the World eaſie and delightful to us: Thine, O Lord, is our health and ſtrength, our eaſe and liberty; thine the Air we breath in, and the Earth we tread upon, thine our Food and our Raiment, the Sun that ſhines to give us Light, and the Rain that falls to give us plenty, thine the uſe of our Limbs, and thine the exerciſe of our Underſtanding and Reaſon. And we

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bleſs thy Name for all thoſe outward and temporal bleſſings, the multitude whereof, (ſuch is thy goodneſs) makes us unable to recount them, and whoſe dayly repetition, that ſhould heighten our eſteem of them, and thankfulneſs for them, makes us (ſuch is our folly and weakneſs) too apt to undervalue them.

But above all we adore, and with our higheſt and heartieſt praiſes, deſire to magnifie thy rich and free Grace for ſpiritual bleſſings in heavenly things in Chriſt Jeſus our Lord, that tend to the renewing us after thy likeneſs in this life, and the ſatisfying of us with it in the life to come.

We bleſs thee for that ineſtimable gift, the Foundation of

all others, the Son of thy dearest love, and everlasting delight, whom in a tender compassion to our Souls, thou hast sent into the world to be our Redeemer and Saviour, that when we had by our sins ruined and undone our selves, and were so lyable to thy severe displeasure and insupportable vengeance, that no creature in Heaven or Earth could deliver us from it, it pleased thee in thine infinite goodness, to find out, and in thy mercy to afford us in him an admirable and unthought of way of recovery. Now, O Lord, we know thou lovest us, and hast a favour and good will towards us, seeing thou hast not withheld thy Son, thine only Son from us.

Ever blessed be thy Name, that

that thy Son, who is God over all, bleſſed for ever, took upon him our humane Fleſh; that while he lived here upon Earth, he inſtructed us, both by his heavenly doctrine and exemplary life, that he gave himſelf to Death as the price of our Redemption, that he compleated that great work, in his powerful and glorious Reſurrection, wherein he conquered and triumphed over all the powers of darkneſs, and hath begotten us again to a lively hope of an inheritance incorruptible, unde- 1 *Pet.* 1. 3, 4.
filed, that fadeth not away, reſerved in Heaven for us. We praiſe thee, that, when he had wrought a perfect Righteouſneſs for us upon Earth, he aſcended up to Heaven, & ſits at thy right hand to repreſent and plead it

on our behalf, by his prevailing
interceſſion; that when he aſ-
cended up on high, he led cap-
tive thoſe ſpiritual enemies that
held us in captivity, and for the
Eph. 4. 11. edification of his Church gave
gifts unto Men, Apoſtles and
Prophets, Evangeliſts, Paſtors
and Teachers. That thou haſt
Pſal. 119. 10 given thy holy Word to be a
Lamp to our Feet, and a Light
to our Paths, and when many
Nations ſit in Darkneſs and
the Regions of the Shadow of
Luk. 1. 78, Death, the day ſpring from on
79. high hath viſited us, to guide our
Feet into the way of Peace. We
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ty thanks, that thou ſtill keepeſt
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ſtanding our vile unworthineſs, thou graciouſly admitteſt us to Communion with thy Self in thy publick Ordinances, the Reading and Preaching of thy Word; Prayers to and Praiſes of thy Name, and the participation of thy holy Sacraments, wherein thou doſt lively repreſent the Death of thy Son, and to all worthy Receivers doſt firmly aſſure and convey the precious benefits of it, and bind them to walk anſwerably to them.

And we further thank thee with enlarged hearts, O our heavenly Father, for all the promiſes of thy Covenant, which thou haſt ſealed with the Blood of thy Son; and given unto us that we might by them be the more encouraged in an holy

2 *Cor.* 7. 1. obedience, cleanſe our ſelves from all filthineſs of the Fleſh and Spirit, and perfecting holi-
2 *Pet.* 1. 4. neſs in thy fear, be made partakers of the Divine Nature.

We can never enough magnifie thy mercy and goodneſs that thou haſt made our duty to be a part of our happineſs, and that it is not only neceſſary but beſt for us to love and fear, truſt and ſerve, obey and honour thee, and that we are not only bound to be ſober and temperate, meek and patient, juſt and charitable, but much better by being ſo.

And what thanks can we render to thee, who in conſideration of our weakneſs and ſluggiſhneſs to the performance of our duty, haſt not only ſet before us the lively and encouraging

raging examples of thy Saints and Martyrs, but aſſiſted and enabled us by the grace of thy holy Spirit, that our ſufficiency hath been of thee, who of our ſelves have not been ſufficient to think a good thought, and for the Reward of thoſe Graces and Duties that are the Fruits of thy Spirit working in us, haſt promiſed ſuch a glory and happineſs in the world to come, as ſurpaſſes not our deſires only, but our thoughts and conceptions? 2 *Cor.* 3. 5.

We further glorifie thy great Name, O Lord, that thy rich and free Grace hath been the only motive to the beſtowing all thy Mercies upon us, guilty and wretched ſinners, that our unworthineſs hath not hindred the ſtreaming forth of thy

goodneſs, but thy goodneſs hath born away before it all conſideration of our unworthineſs; And O how admirable in themſelves, and how obliging to us are all thoſe favours and kindneſſes, which not only without our merits, but notwithſtanding our deſerts of wrath and vengeance, thou haſt conferred upon us, bold and provoking Rebels!

We are, O Lord, as thy Creatures, infinitely below thee, but as Sinners we have fooliſhly oppoſed and ſet our ſelves againſt thee; we have broken thy holy Laws, abuſed thine abundant Mercies, ſlighted the tenders of thy Grace, diſhonoured and crucified afreſh our great and merciful Redeemer, reſiſted and grieved thy holy Spirit, profaned

ned and polluted thy Sabbaths and Ordinances, that are both the Pledges and means of thy Grace and Favour. And were there no other Sin upon our account, but of theſe thy days and the holy duties of them, they might for ever fill our Faces with ſhame, and lay us under thy wrathful diſpleaſure.

We have come unprepared to thy ſolemn worſhip, and with unhallowed hearts entred the Sanctuary and approached the preſence of the moſt holy God, we have been heedleſs and unattentive hearers of thy holy Word, remembring little of what we have heard, and practing leſs of what we have remembred; we have been flat, and unaffected in offering up thy praiſe, and our hearts have been

been earthly, dull and diſtracted in our Prayers, how often have we turned our Backs upon thy holy Table judging, our ſelves unworthy of the precious benefits that are there tendered; or if we have not altogether neglected the ſacred Ordinance, we have not, as we might have done, grown in the graces and the comforts of thy holy Spirit by it.

How ſeldom have we been ſeriouſly exerciſed in Meditation, and either ſo recollected thy Mercies, as to become ſenſible of our obligation by them, or ſo thought on our ways, as to turn our feet unto thy Teſtimonies. *Pſal.* 119.59

Forgive us, O Lord, we pray thee all our paſt offences, and as the beſt aſſurance of our forgiveneſs,

giveneſs, let us not ſo offend any more. Graciouſly guide us into the ways of truth and holineſs, and that we may always fear thee, let us ſet our ſelves continually in thy preſence, and ſo obſerve and ſtand in aw of thine all-ſeeing Eye, that all our evil thoughts, words and actions may be ſcattered by it.

Let us dye with Chriſt in the crucifying of our Fleſh, with its affections and luſts, and riſe with him to a life of holy and new obedience; that as Chriſt being raiſed from the dead dieth no more, ſo being riſen with him, we may wilfully ſin no more, but run the race of thy Commandments, till at length we receive the prize of a glorious and incorruptible inheritance. *Rom. 6. 9.*

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Extend thy mercy and goodneſs to all the Sons of Men, and let the Kingdoms of the World, that are ignorant of thee and thy Salvation, behold the light of thy glorious Goſpel, and become obedient to the Scepter of thy Son.

Bleſs thy whole Church, ſcatter the Miſts of Ignorance and Errour, heal the breaches of Schiſm and Diviſion, quench the Wildfire of Strife and Contention; cleanſe the Spots of Profaneneſs, and Superſtition that defile and deform it; and make thy Sion the Beauty and the joy of the whole Earth.

Be gracious to theſe ſinful Nations, forgive thoſe many and great ſins, that have pulled down thy heavy Judgments upon us, and ſtill provoke thee more

more and more to punish us, and particularly pardon, we pray thee, our wicked and scandalous profanation of this thy day, our unthankfulness for the light of thy blessed Gospel, and walking unsuitably to the principles of that holy Religion that hath been of a long time publickly taught and professed among us. Wash us throughly from our Iniquities, and cleanse us from our Sins, and grant that by unity, and charity, and holiness of life, we may glorifie thy great Name, evidence the truth of our Christianity, and adorn the Gospel of God our Saviour. Continue thy Gospel among us, defeat and overthrow the evil designs of bloody and deceitful Men that would pervert the truth of it,

Psal. 51. 2

it, by mixtures of Superſtition and Idolatry; and let all that
Pſal. 40. 16. love thy Salvation, ſay continually, let the Lord be magnified.

Guide and guard, bleſs and protect thine Anointed Servant our Soveraign Lord, King *Charles*; let his days be many, his Counſels wiſe and religious, his enterprizes ſucceſsful, his Reign happy to himſelf and all his Subjects: Cloath his Enemies with ſhame, and upon his head
Pſal. 132. 18. let his Crown flouriſh, let the Biſhops and Paſtors of thy Church further the edification of it, by ſoundneſs of Doctrine, and holineſs of Life; and Magiſtrates cheriſh, and defend it by the encouragement of all virtue and goodneſs, and the puniſhment and ſuppreſſion of all

all vice and ungodlineſs; and let all men follow after peace and holineſs, without which none ſhall ſee the Lord. *Heb.* 12. 14.

Refreſh and ſupport the Sons and Daughters of Sorrow, and in the multitude of their thoughts within them, let thy comforts delight their Souls. *Pſal.* 94. 19.

Be gracious and favourable to us that are here before thee, forgive us all our Sins, and remember not againſt us thoſe iniquities that have this day polluted our holy offerings; defend and protect us this night, from all thoſe dangers and miſchiefs that might overtake us, and let us find ſafety under the ſhadow of thy wings; refreſh our frail Bodies with a quiet and moderate reſt, and help us in the renewed ſtrength of it, vigorouſly

vigorouſly to ſerve thee in a faithful diſcharge of the duties of the next day; and all our days let us live to thee, that in the end of them we may live with thee, through Jeſus Chriſt our Lord, who hath taught and commanded us when we Pray, to ſay;

OUr Father which art in Heaven, hallowed be thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy Will be done in Earth, As it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily Bread. And forgive us our Treſpaſſes, As we forgive them that Treſpaſs againſt us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from Evil: For thine is the Kingdom, and the Power, And the Glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

Monday

Monday Morning.

O Moſt mighty, Lord God, and merciful Father, the Author of our Being, both Bodies and Souls, and the Giver of every good Gift, that may tend to the benefit and happineſs of both our Souls and Bodies, we thy poor and moſt, unworthy Servants are here before thee this Morning, thankfully to acknowledge thy great goodneſs, in all the bleſſings we injoy, for this Life and a better, humbly to implore thy mercy in the free pardon of all our Sins, and earneſtly to beg the grace of thy holy Spirit, that we may faithfully diſcharge the duties of pardoned Sinners, and

anſwer the Obligations thou haſt laid upon us by thy manifold bleſſings.

We bleſs thy holy and great Name, as for all Spiritual and Temporal bleſſings beſtowed on us through thy Son, ſo particularly for all the ordinances of the Goſpel and the priviledges of thy Houſe yeſterday injoyed, and for the ſafety and quiet reſt, and refreſhment of the laſt *Lam.* 3. 22. night; acknowledging it* to be of thy mercies that we are not conſumed, and becauſe thy compaſſions fail not, for hadſt thou rewarded us after our Iniquities, we had long ſince been incapable of any the leaſt bleſſing, and had been puniſhed with utmoſt and everlaſting miſery.

We confeſs, O Lord, there hath

hath on thy part been nothing wanting that might work in us a Conformity to thy Will, but there hath wanted on ours, a care to pleaſe thee and a fear to offend thee, a love and delight in thee, and a ſtedfaſt purpoſe to give up our ſelves to the obedience of thy heavenly Laws: And which hath made us more remiſs and negligent, we have not firmly believed the excellent and glorious things thou haſt promiſed upon a compliance with thy Will, nor the fearful and inſupportable puniſhments, which thou haſt threatned to our diſobedience. We have with great folly over deſired, over loved, over truſted to, and over delighted in the things of this World, which cannot profit us, nor in the leaſt promote our

ſpiritual intereſt, or eternal happineſs, whileſt we have been careleſs and negligent in ſeeking thy Kingdom and righteouſneſs, though for our incouragement to do that in the firſt place, thou haſt graciouſly promiſed that all the conveniencies of life ſhall be added unto us. How have vain tranſitory profits and pleaſures drawn off our hearts from the love of thee, who alone canſt make us happy, and from a delight in thy Laws, in the keeping of which there is great reward? We have with too great care pampered our vile bodies and made proviſion for our fleſh, to fulfil the luſts of it, and with too little provided for our Souls, and ſecured their happineſs in the future ſtate.

Mat. 6. 33.

Pſal. 19. 11.

Rom. 13. 14.

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We have misimployed the Talents intrusted with us, in the service of Sin, and abused to thy dishonour, our time, and opportunity of doing good; our health and strength, our ease, and liberty, our credit and plenty, the members of our Bodies, the faculties of our Souls, which being received from thy bounty, should all have been improved to thy glory; nor have we remembred the great day of reckoning, wherein we must give an account of our Stewardship, and be no longer Stewards. *Luk.* 16. 2.

We acknowledge, O Lord, that we are guilty Sinners, unable to help our selves, and unworthy that thou shouldst help us; our own consciences condemn us, and thou mightest

1 *John.* 3. 20 much more condemn us, for thou knoweſt more by us than we do by our ſelves, and art greater than our conſciences.

But, O God, be merciful to us, and ſpare us, in the multitude of thy tender compaſſions: Thou that haſt promiſed pardon and forgiveneſs to all repenting Sinners, work in us, we beſeech thee, a ſerious and unfeigned repentance, and let us thereby obtain remiſſion of Sins: And by a true and lively faith in our Lord

* *Rom.* 3. 24, 25. Jeſus Chriſt, whom thou haſt ſet forth to be a propitiation, through faith in his blood, juſtifie us freely by thy Grace, and let not any of our ſins be charged upon us to our condemnation. But let us by his Merits and Righteouſneſs be ſo delivered from the guilt of them, that

that we may ſerve thee in righteouſneſs and holineſs before thee, all the days of our life: And grant that as Chriſt dyed for us, that were dead in ſin, and under a ſentence of death for it, we may not henceforth live unto our ſelves, but unto him which dyed for us and roſe again. *Luk.* 1. 75. 2 *Cor.* 5. 15.

Guide our Feet into thoſe ways of righteouſneſs and peace, temperance and ſobriety, mercy, meekneſs and charity, that are well-pleaſing to thee, and guard us againſt the temptations of the World, the Devil and our own naughty Hearts, that we never depart from them. Let a continued ſenſe of thine Omnipreſence and all-ſeeing Eye, make us upright and ſincere, in the diſcharge of every duty; careful and vigi-

lant for the avoiding of every ſin, firm and conſtant in the reſiſting every temptation; let us ſo ſet thee alway before us, that thou being at our right hand,
Pſal. 16. 8. we may not be moved.

Heb. 13. 9. Keep us ſtedfaſt in thy truth, and when many are carryed about with divers and ſtrange
Col. 2. 7. doctrines; let us be more and more rooted and ſtabliſhed in the faith, by bringing forth the fruits of righteouſneſs. And
2 *Pet.* 1. 5, 6, 7. add to our faith virtue; and to virtue knowledge; and to knowledge, temperance; and to temperance, patience; and to patience, godlineſs; and to godlineſs, brotherly kindneſs; and to brotherly kindneſs, charity;
v. 8. that theſe things being in us, we may not be barren, and unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord

Lord and Saviour Jeſus Chriſt, but an entrance may be miniſtred unto us abundantly into his everlaſting Kingdom. *v.* 11.

Let the whole race of mankind find favour in thine eyes, and let the glorious light of the Goſpel of Salvation ſhine upon them that ſit in darkneſs, and the regions of the ſhadow of death. Let the people praiſe thee, O God; let all the people praiſe thee; call home the Jews, thine ancient people, accompliſh the promiſed fulneſs of the Gentiles, that the whole Church may be in Chriſt, as one Sheepfold under one Shepherd. *Luk.* 1. 79. *Pſal.* 67. 3.

O be gracious and favourable unto Sion, and build up the decayed and ruinous Walls of thy Jeruſalem. Free thy Church from all Hereſie, Prophaneſs, Schiſm,

Schism, Superstition and Idolatry, and whatever is displeasing in thy sight, and a blemish of the blessed Gospel of God, her Saviour. Keep the Vineyard which thy right hand hath planted; from all its enemies that would pull up the Hedges thereof, and lay it waste; water it every moment, lest any hurt it, keep it night and day.

Isa. 27. 3.

Bless these Kingdoms of *England*, *Scotland* and *Ireland*, forgive those many and crying Sins that might make us desolate without Inhabitants, and let every one of us that have added to the great weight of wickedness, and made it heavy enough to sink us into utter ruine, turn from the evil of our ways, and by an hearty repentance, and real reformation stand in the gap,

gap, and ſtop thoſe Judgments that are gone forth againſt us, and entering in at our wide breaches to deſtroy us: Amend us by thy juſt ſeverities and merciful ſalvations, and let both thy puniſhments and preſervations of us, lead us into the ways of righteouſneſs.

Bleſs with thy richeſt bleſſings our Sovereign Lord the King, preſerve him, as thou haſt done wonderfully heretofore, from the malice and ſubtlety, the miſchievous Plots and Combinations of his Enemies, and let him ſo remember the deep diſtreſs out of which thou haſt drawn him, and the high authority wherein thou haſt placed him, that in all his actions & deſigns, he may promote thy honour and glory, and all

that

1 *Tim.* 2. 2. that are under him may lead quiet and peaceable lives, in all godlineſs and honeſty.

Let the Biſhops and Paſtors of thy Church, further truth and holineſs by their life and Doctrine; and civil Magiſtrates diſcountenance and ſuppreſs all wickedneſs; and encourage virtue and goodneſs, and not bear the Sword in vain. And let all from the higheſt to the loweſt, ſo carry themſelves, as that thou mayeſt be glorified, true Religion advanced, the Goſpel of Chriſt honoured, and Truth and Peace may be eſtabliſhed among us.

Let all that are Sick, pained, or impoveriſhed, diſtreſſed either in Body or Mind, find thy gracious hand to ſweeten and ſanctifie their Afflictions,

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and in thy good time to deliver from them.

Bleſs us, O our God, that are here before thee, direct, aſſiſt and proſper us in all that we this day ſet our hand unto; and let us not undertake any buſineſs, but what thou haſt warranted by the rules of Righteouſneſs, and upon which we may deſire and expect thy bleſſing: Guide us by thy Counſel, till thou bring us to thy Glory, by Chriſt Jeſus our only Lord and Saviour, who in compaſſion to our Infirmities hath taught us thus to pray; *Pſal.* 73.24.

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Monday

Monday Evening.

BLeſſed and holy Lord, God, who madeſt all things by thy Power, and ruleſt all things by thy Providence, and filleſt all places by thy preſence, art about our Bed, and about our Path, and ſpyeſt out all our Ways; we thy poor Creatures moſt heartily beſeech thee that thou wouldeſt fill every one of our hearts with an awful ſenſe of thee, and an humble ſincerity in our approaches to thee, that laying aſide all guile and hypocriſie, we may draw near thee with a true heart and worſhip thee, that deſireſt truth in the inward part, in Spirit and in Truth. *Pſal.* 139.3. *Heb.* 10.22. *Joh.* 4.24.

We thankfully acknowledge our

our dependance upon thee, and that our lives, and all the comforts of our lives are the effects of thy bounty and goodneſs, thy hands have both made and faſhioned us in the Womb, and brought us into the World, and ever ſince we ſaw the Light, thou haſt all along opened thine hands, and filled us with variety of good things; though for our many and great ſins thou mighteſt have left us naked and miſerable, and brought upon us all the puniſhments, that the threatnings of thy holy and righteous Law have made juſtly due to the Tranſgreſſors of it; and had thy ways been as the ways of a Man are, or thy thoughts towards us like unto our thoughts, we had long ſince been paſt the Thank-offering

ing of Praiſe, the benefit of Prayer and the hope of Pardon; for our trangreſſions have been multiplied againſt thee; and our Iniquities have gone over our Heads, as a burthen too heavy for us. *Pſal.* 38. 4.

The corruption of our nature is oppoſite to thy holy Law, that requires no leſs holy principles than holy practiſes, and by the tranſgreſſions of our lives, we have broken it in thought, word and deed.

We confeſs, O Lord, with ſorrow and ſhame, our ignorance of thy will, and in many things our acting contrary to the knowledge we have had of it, our pride, earthlineſs and hypocriſie; our injuſtice, uncharitableneſs and ſenſuality; our inordinate ſelf-love, eagerneſs in

the purſuit of worldly things, and indifferency in matters of Religion; our impenitency and unbelief, the hardneſs of our hearts, notwithſtanding all the ways and methods thou haſt taken to ſoften them; our unthankfulneſs for all thy mercies, our incorrigibleneſs under all thy chaſtiſements, our unfruitfulneſs under the means of Grace, our unfaithfulneſs under all our vows and promiſes, and reſolutions of ſervice and obedience. We have ſinned againſt a clear revelation of thy Will, and againſt the greateſt obligations to compliance with it, againſt the expreſſions of a tender kindneſs in thy multiplyed mercies, and the evidence of a righteous ſeverity in thy juſtly deſerved chaſtiſements; we have ſinned againſt

againſt thine inviting promiſes and dreadful threatnings, againſt the frequent warnings of thy Word, the renewed motions and powerful convictions of thy Spirit, and the precious blood of thy dear Son; we have ſinned againſt the light of our underſtandings, againſt our promiſes and purpoſes of obedience, againſt the checks of our own conſciences; we cannot recount the number of our ſins, they are ſo exceeding many, nor ſet in order the aggravating circumſtances, whereby they are become exceeding ſinful.

But, O Lord, have mercy upon us, according to thy loving kindneſs: according to the multitude of thy tender mercies blot out our tranſgreſſions; Help us to forſake our ſinful *Pſal.* 51. 1.

Isa. 55. 7. thoughts and crooked ways, and by unfeigned repentance to return unto thee, that thou mayeſt have mercy on us and abundantly pardon us.

Speak peace to us, moſt merciful Father, through the death and ſufferings of thy dear Son, who gave up himſelf in Sacrifice to expiate the guilt of our ſins, and by that precious ranſom to buy off the puniſhment that was due to our tranſgreſſions; O ſprinkle our conſciences with that blood of ſprinkling that ſpeaketh better things *Heb.* 12. 24. than the blood of *Abel*; work in us a true and lively faith, that we may be juſtified and have *Rom.* 5. 1. peace with thee, through our Lord Jeſus Chriſt: For though we have no righteouſneſs of our own that we dare plead to the ſtrictneſs

ſtrictneſs of thy Law, and the ſeverity of thy Juſtice, thou haſt treaſured up an alſufficient righteouſneſs in thy Son; that believing in him we may be pardoned, and through his ſtripes be healed.

And let thy pardoning mercy be accompanied with thy purifying grace, that we may be both delivered from the guilt and puniſhment of our ſins, and cleanſed from the filth, and impurity of them. And as our Lord Chriſt dyed unto ſin to condemn it in the fleſh, let us dye unto ſin to crucifie it in ours, that it may never reign in our mortal bodies, that we ſhould obey it in the luſts thereof. *Rom.* 6. 10, 11, 12.

Help us, heavenly Father, to put off the old man, which is

corrupt according to deceitful
Eph. 4. 22, 23, 24. luſts, and to put on that new man which is created after thine own image, in righteouſneſs and true holineſs, and as by the natural birth, we have in ſin and corruption born the image of the firſt *Adam*, that was made a living Soul, ſo let us by the ſpiritual birth, in ſanctification and holineſs, bear the image of the ſecond *Adam*, that was made a quickning Spirit. Give us a new
Ezek. 36. 26, 27. heart, and put within us a new Spirit; take away the ſtony heart out of our fleſh, and give us an heart of fleſh; put thy Spirit within us, and cauſe us to walk in thy Statutes, that we may keep thy Judgments and do them.

Wean our hearts from an exceſſive and inordinate love of all

all the things of this World, and let us never place our happineſs in the pomps and pleaſures, the profits and honours, or any tranſitory injoyments of this Life, where we are told not only in thy Word, but by our own experience, it is not to be found; but let us weep, as though we wept not, and rejoyce as though we rejoyced not, and buy as though we poſſeſſed not, and uſe this World as not abuſing it, becauſe the faſhion of this World paſſeth away. *1 Cor.* 7. 30, 31.

Let us never adventure upon ſin with the fooliſh and deceitful hopes of getting any thing by it, but let our minds be influenced with the great and certain truth of what our Saviour hath taught us, that the gaining

of the whole World, can be
Mat. 16.26. no recompence for the loſs of our Souls. Let the great and ſtrict account, that we muſt ere long make be often in our ſerious thoughts, and the courſe of our Lives be thereby ſo ordered that we may think of it with a joyful expectation, and never allow our ſelves to do, to ſpeak or think any thing, that may make the thoughts of the day of Judgment a terrour to us. Let us ſo obey the Laws of our great Lord and Saviour, and follow the ſteps of his example, that when Chriſt, who is our life, ſhall appear, we may lift up our
Col. 3.4. heads with joy, and appear with him in glory.

Shew forth the favour and loving kindneſs of a Father, to all the Children of Men, and as thou

thou haſt made them capable of eternal life and happineſs, makē known unto them the way of thy Salvation that leads unto it. Let the Sun of Righteouſneſs ariſe with healing in his Wings, and diſpel the darkneſs of Heatheniſh and Mahometan Superſtition and Idolatry, that the Kingdoms of the Earth may become the Kingdom of thy Son. *Mal.* 4. 2.

Bleſs thy whole Church, and let the company of the Faithful that thou haſt incorporated and knit together as one Body in thy Son, by thy Grace be defended, and preſerved, enlightned and inſtructed, ordered and governed, purged and ſanctified, and let the Ordinances of Chriſt be ſo adminiſtred, and his Laws obſerved, as may become the

Spouſe

Spouſe and Body of thy Son.

Be merciful, O Lord, to the ſinful Nation wherein we live, and let neither our abuſe of thy mercies, nor our hardning our ſelves under thy Judgments, bring upon us that ruine that they have juſtly deſerved. Lord thou haſt been favourable to the Land, in that thou haſt often reſcued us from the deſtruction that was due to our Sins, and haſt bleſſed us with the long continuance of thy Goſpel, that was no way due to our walking ſo unworthy of it. Oh let that infinite mercy that hath hitherto ſpared us, and interpoſed betwixt us and thy deſolating vengeance, forgive our iniquity and turn away the fierceneſs of thine anger.

Heal our back-ſlidings and heal

heal our breaches, take away all our iniquity, receive us graciouſly and love us freely, to us belongeth confuſion of Face, but to the Lord our God belong mercies and forgiveneſſes, though we have rebelled againſt thee. Continue thy mercies, our peace and our plenty, and above all the truth of thy Goſpel and purity of Religion, Cauſe us to fear thee and thy goodneſs, and let thine infinite wiſdom find out a way to bring us out of thoſe woful confuſions, from which to be delivered is above the contrivances of our wiſdom. *Hoſ.* 14. 2. *Dan.* 9. 8. 9.

Bleſs with the bleſſings of the right and left hand, of this life, and a better, thine Anointed Servant, and our Sovereign Lord King *Charles*; let his Reign be religious,

religious, peaceable, long and prosperous; so rule his heart in thy faith, fear and love, that he may ever seek thy honour and glory. And let all that are Governours under him, in Church or State, exercise their power for the punishment of
1 *Pet.* 2. 14. evil doers, and the praise of them that do well.

Be merciful to all afflicted ones, to our Friends and Relations, to all that have wronged us; forgive our Enemies, O Lord, and help us to forgive them, as we expect to be forgiven both of them and thee.

We humbly commit our selves to thy merciful protection this night, defend from all danger, our persons, our dwellings, our possessions, refresh us with a quiet and healthful sleep,

and

and with the health and ſtrength of our Bodies, and the vigour of our minds, let us ſerve thee all our days, till at the end of them we receive the end of our Faith, the ſalvation of our Souls, through thy dear Son, our alone Saviour, Jeſus Chriſt, in the merit of whoſe righteouſneſs, and interceſſion we further pray:

Our

OUr Father which art in Heaven, hallowed be thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy Will be done in Earth, As it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily Bread. And forgive us our Treſpaſſes, As we forgive them that Treſpaſs againſt us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from Evil: For thine is the Kingdom, and the Power, And the Glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

Tueſday

Tueſday Morning.

GReat and glorious Lord God, who art infinite and incomprehenſible in all perfections, art cloathed with Glory and Majeſty, and dwelleſt in that light that no mortal creature can approach and live, we thine unworthy ſervants, humbly ſenſible of our infinite diſtance as creatures, and our abominable vileneſs as Sinners, are here before thee this morning to offer up our prayers and praiſes in the Name and Mediation of thy Son. In our ſelves we have no confidence to appear before thee, for we are as dry ſtubble, and thou a conſuming fire, but in thy beloved Son,

Son, our ever bleſſed Redeemer and Interceſſor we have acceſs with confidence, who hath o-
Heb. 10.19, 20. pened an entrance into the Holieſt by his Blood, and conſecrated a new and living way to the Throne of thy Grace, through the Veil of his Fleſh, that we coming to thee, in his precious and prevailing Name,
Heb. 4. ult. may obtain mercy and find grace to help in our time of need.

We are guilty Sinners and want pardon, we are defiled Sinners and want cleanſing, we are weak Sinners and want ſtrengthning, we are fooliſh Sinners and want to be inſtructed in the ways of thy Word, and wandring Sinners that want to be brought back into them, but though our caſe be all neceſſity,

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thy glorious attribute is Al-ſufficiency, and thy grace and mercy, thy wiſdom and power, is ready to ſupply all our wants according to thy riches in glory by Chriſt Jeſus. *Phil.* 4. 19.

We admire with all thankfulneſs, thy great patience and long-ſuffering towards us, that thou haſt hitherto ſpared us, and not ſpeedily brought upon us that puniſhment and miſery that our ſins have righteouſly deſerved, of which we can give no account, but that thou art merciful, becauſe mercy pleaſes thee, and ſheweſt compaſſion, becauſe thou delighteſt in compaſſion: but ſuch is thy goodneſs, thou haſt not only ſpared but bountifully ſupplyed us, and given us all things richly to injoy, that belong to life and godlineſs:

lineſs: thou feedeſt and cloatheſt us, preſerveſt and defendeſt us, haſt ſafely brought us through the darkneſs and the dangers of the laſt night to the light of another day; for theſe and all the bleſſings of this life, we praiſe thee, but we much more magnifie and adore thine inconceiveable goodneſs and love in giving us thy Son to redeem us from wrath and condemnation, and thy holy Goſpel to conduct us in the way to eternal life. And we cannot without confuſion of face, reflect upon the ſhameful and diſingenuous returns we have made of thine abundant and undeſerved kindneſſes, that when thou haſt nouriſhed and brought up children, we have rebelled againſt thee. *Iſa.* 1. 2.

Thy

Thy holy Laws we have broken in sinful thoughts, words and actions, though thou hast therein commanded us nothing but what is in it self just, and reasonable, and what is suitable to our dependance upon thy holy Majesty, we have not carried our selves as it becomes us, to thee, in holiness and godliness; to our neighbours in righteousness and charity; to our selves in temperance and sobriety; but have followed after, and fulfilled the sensual appetites and inclinations of our own hearts, and instead of serving thee, our God, have served divers lusts and pleasures.

We have known that our vile bodies must ere long lye down in the house of dust and rottenness, and yet we have

pampered them to fulfil the
luſts of our fleſh; and that our
immortal Souls muſt laſt an E-
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Joh. 6. 27. And while we have laboured fo
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too much as the Beaſts live.

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have no hope, but in the mu
titude of thy tender mercies w
cannot deſpair, and thoug

we have deſerved wrath and vengeance, and have nothing of our own to plead, why we ſhould eſcape it, we are greatly encouraged to ſue to thine offended Majeſty for pardon and forgiveneſs, by that Proclamation which thou haſt made of thy glorious Name, the Lord, the Lord God, merciful and gracious, long-ſuffering and abundant in goodneſs, and truth, keeping mercy for thouſands, and forgiving iniquity, and tranſgreſſion, and ſin, and becauſe thou haſt ſaid thou wilt not clear the guilty, take away our guilt by a ſincere hearty repentance, and a true and lively faith in the merits, and righteouſneſs of thy Son. *Exod.* 34. 6, 7.

Let all our ſins be more bitter and burthenſom in the re-

view of them, than they have ever been pleaſant and delightful in the commiſſion of them, and grant, gracious Lord, that we may be ſo ſorrowful for our ſins, as to loath them, ſo loath them, as to take up firm reſolutions againſt them, and ſo reſolve, as that by the powerful aſſiſtance of thy holy Spirit, we may never renew the practice of them, and having done iniquity, we may do ſo and offend no more.

Job 34. 32.

Waſh and cleanſe our ſinful Souls, from their guilt and filthineſs in that fountain of thy dear Sons moſt precious blood, which thou haſt ſet open for ſin, and uncleanneſs, and by the grace of thy holy Spirit, ſubduing and mortifying our ſins in us, convince and ſatisfie us that thou

Zech. 13. 1.

thou haſt pardoned them: create in us clean hearts, O God, and renew right ſpirits within us. *Pſal.* 51. 10.

And as we call thy Son, Jeſus Chriſt, our Saviour, and hope to be for ever happy in the light and injoyment of him in Heaven, let us make him our example, and purifie our ſelves even as he is pure. *1 Joh.* 3. 3. Make us as he was, holy and humble, meek and merciful, patient and charitable, heavenly minded and ſelf-denying: let's be zealous for thy glory, contented with our preſent condition, ſatisfied with all the wiſe allotments of thy providence, and make it our meat and drink to do the will of our heavenly Father; and in all things wherein he was a moſt lively and admirable

mirable pattern for our imitation, ſeeing we profeſs our ſelves Chriſtians, and ſay we a-
1 *Joh.* 2. 6. bide in him, let us walk as he alſo walked.

Settle and root in our hearts a ſtronger and more firm belief of thy holy Goſpel, and ſo fix our thoughts and affections upon that unſeen happineſs, that our Saviour in our name and place is poſſeſſed of; that nothing here below may either allure or affright us from our duty or make us remiſs, cold and negligent in it, but we may be zealous of good works, and with fervency of ſpirit alway ſerve that gracious Lord, from whom we expect the reward of a glorious and immortal inheritance.

Fill every one of our hearts with

with a quick and a conſtant ſenſe, an humble and awful dread, an ardent and intire love of thee, together with an active and vigorous delight in thee, and a vigilant and circumſpect care univerſally, and in the whole courſe of our lives, to pleaſe and approve our ſelves to thee. Let us never adventure to commit any ſin, as a little one, becauſe it will offend and diſhonour thee, the great and infinite Majeſty of Heaven, and deſerve the eternal puniſhment and miſery of an immortal Soul.

Keep us by thy grace from every evil way; and thoſe ſins eſpecially to the which we may be moſt inclined, and eaſily prevailed upon by cuſtom or example; the naughtineſs and general

neral corruption of the age we live in, our Callings, our company or our conſtitution, ſo that laying aſide every weight, and the ſins that eaſily beſet us, and running with patience and perſeverance the race that thou haſt ſet before us, we may at length obtain that prize of our high Calling, which thou haſt prepared and promiſed in Chriſt Jeſus our Lord.

Heb. 12. 2.

And in his Name we humbly recommend to thy compaſſion and goodneſs, all the Sons of Men that dwell upon the Face of the Earth, beſeeching thee that thou wouldſt make known thy Will to them, and help them to practiſe according to what they know, and whatever affliction or calamity may lye upon them in mind, body or eſtate,

eſtate, let them by thy mercy and clemency, be ſupported under them, and in thy due time be delivered from them.

Shew favourable regards of care and kindneſs towards thy Church, engrave her upon the Palms of thine Hands, and let her Walls be continually before thee. *Iſa.* 49. 16.

Appoint Salvation for the Walls and Bulwarks of the Nation wherein we live, pardon our many crying ſins, avert thy deſerved, feared Judgments, heal our back-ſlidings, and heal our breaches, continue thy Goſpel, and grant that we may walk worthy of that ineſtimable favour.

Bleſs our dread Sovereign with the bleſſings of thy right and left hand, let his Government

ment be happy and peaceable, long and proſperous, and a publick bleſſing to all that are under it, and grant that all ſubordinate Governours in Church, in State, may faithfully uſe their power to the diſcouragement of Vice and ungodlineſs, and the promoting and ſupporting peace and good order, truth, righteouſneſs and holineſs: and let all men by a ſerious repentance and a through reformation of their ways, ſtrive to ſave the Land from thoſe confuſions and miſeries, into which they have plunged it by their manifold offences. Comfort all that mourn, give them beauty for aſhes, and the garments of praiſe for the ſpirit of heavineſs, and let all that groan under thy heavy hand triumph in thy ſalvation. Be

Be with us thy ſervants, this day, and let that good providence that hath this night preſerved and refreſhed us, direct, aſſiſt and bleſs us in all our ways, and keep us from the dangers and miſchiefs, the ſins and offences, the ſnares and temptations that we might otherwiſe fall into. Let us be in thy fear all the day long, and ſo order our lives, as if it were the laſt day we had to live in this world, that as in the evening we ſhall be one day nearer our death, we may be nearer eternal life and happineſs; grant us all theſe our requeſts, moſt gracious Father, and whatever elſe thou knoweſt to be needful for us, for the ſake of thy dear Son, in whoſe Name and Words, by his own direction

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we further implore thy merciful goodneſs;

OUr Father which art in Heaven, hallowed be thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy Will be done in Earth, As it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily Bread. And forgive us our Treſpaſſes, As we forgive them that Treſpaſs againſt us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from Evil: For thine is the Kingdom, and the Power, And the Glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

Tueſday Evening.

ALmighty and moſt merciful God and Father, the Maker and Governour of all Creatures in Heaven and Earth, and exalted in thy glorious perfections, above the thoughts and ſervices, the praiſes and acknowledgments of the higheſt and beſt of them, thine underſtanding is infinite, and thou ſeeſt the hearts and ways of all the ſons of men, thy holineſs is infinite, and thou hateſt all the ſin and iniquity thou eſpieſt in them, thy power infinite, & thou canſt eaſily puniſh them for the ſins that provoke and diſpleaſe thee, and yet thine infinite mercies thou pardoneſt the

the ſins of all that by ſincere repentance, and a through amendment of their ways return to thee.

We thy poor Servants in a deep ſenſe of our guilt and wretchedneſs, and the ſtrong encouragements of thy declared mercy and goodneſs, humble our Souls at thy Foot-ſtool, beſeeching thee to have mercy upon us, and through the righteouſneſs of thy dear Son, whom thou haſt given to be a propitiation, and price of redemption for us, to pardon our many and great tranſgreſſions, whereof we are guilty before thy Majeſty, in thought, and word, and deed, and whereby we have deſerved to be puniſhed with everlaſting deſtruction, from thy preſence, by thy glorious power. Hadſt

Hadſt thou, O Lord, taken advantages againſt us, or been forward to pour out that wrath and vengeance that we have been forward to provoke, we had not now been begging thy mercy, or cheriſh'd with the hopes of it, but had in vain lamented the bloody and ſevere effects of thine incenſed Juſtice.

We are not only by Nature the Children of Wrath, but have in the courſe of our Lives actuated the ſinful, corrupt principles of our Nature, and gone aſtray from thy holy, juſt and good Laws, that thou haſt given to be the rule and meaſure of our actions: and though both as thy Creatures, thy Servants, and thy Children, thou haſt laid upon us the greateſt

obligations to obedience, and a dutyful complyance with thy Will, yet have we in the eager and violent purſuit of our luſts
Pſal. 2. 3. broken thy bonds aſunder, and caſt away thy cords from us.

We have profeſſed the pure and holy Religion of thy Son, but have ſhamefully diſhonoured him and his Religion, by impure and unholy practiſes, and
2 *Tim.* 2. 19. naming the Name of Chriſt, we have not departed from iniquity: we have given up our Names to him in Baptiſm, and ſolemnly vowed obedience to the Laws of his holy Goſpel, but we have ſtarted aſide, like broken Bows, and walked in the imaginations of our own hearts, and fulfilled our vile and fooliſh luſts, as if there were no God to be ſerved, no Soul to be ſaved,

ſaved, no Hell to be feared, no Heaven to be expected, and as if the Name of Chriſtians would have carryed us to Heaven, we have done thoſe things that many Heathens would have bluſhed at and been aſhamed to have practiſed; ſo that this might be our condemnation, which of all other is the moſt grievous and inſupportable, that Light is come into the World, and we have loved Darkneſs rather than Light, *Joh.* 3. 19. becauſe our deeds have been evil.

So many, and undeſerved, have been thy mercies towards us, ſo kind and unwearied the expreſſions of thy bounty, that all our diſobedience is by a ſhameful and odious ingratitude become exceeding ſinful,

and we cannot without ſorrow of heart and confuſion of Face, reflect upon our wearying thee with our ſins, when thou haſt loaded us with thy benefits.

But we beſeech thee, O moſt merciful Father, in the tenderest compaſſions of thy ſounding bowels, look down upon us, and for thy Names ſake (the moſt powerful argument and ſuch as uſes to prevail) O Lord hear, O Lord ſpare, O Lord forgive: by a ſerious and hearty repentance, and a true and lively Faith in thy Son, make us fit partakers of thy pardoning mercy.

Though our deſerts are thine indignation and vengeance, the merit of his righteouſneſs is remiſſion and forgiveneſs, though we have affronted thy Juſtice, he

he hath ſatisfied it, though we have incenſed thy wrath, he hath appeaſed it; the chaſtiſement of our peace was upon him; O let the merit of his righteouſneſs be upon us. *Iſa.* 53. 5.

And becauſe the holy Jeſus, together with the guilt and puniſhment of ſin, alway delivers from the power of it, and they that are Chriſts, crucifie the fleſh with its affections and luſts, by the ſubduing and mortification of our ſins, convince and comfortably ſatisfie us that thou haſt pardoned them, and by thy ſanctifying grace, help us to cleanſe our ſelves from all filthineſs of the fleſh and ſpirit, and to perfect holineſs in thy fear: ſanctifie us wholly, and let our whole ſpirit, and ſoul, and body be preſerved *Gal.* 5. 24. *2 Cor.* 7. 1. *1 Theſ.* 5. 23.

blameleſs, unto the coming of our Lord Jeſus Chriſt.

Quicken us, holy Father by the ſpirit of life and holineſs, to run the ways of thy Commandments, and as thou haſt given our bleſſed Saviour to be Head of thy Church, and anointed him with an unmeaſured fulneſs of thy Spirit, that he might communicate and impart it to the Members of his Body, let ſome drops of that holy Oil fall down upon us, that was ſo plentifully poured upon the Head of our High Prieſt, and out of his fulneſs, let us receive *Joh.* 1. 16. Grace for Grace; and ſo renew the Image of his Holineſs in our Souls, that as his true Children we may ſhew forth all the Features and Lineaments of our heavenly Father.

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And becauſe we are not ſufficient of our ſelves, to avoid any evil, or perform any good, be graciouſly preſent with us to preſerve us from the one, and aſſiſt us in the other. Make us perfect in every good work, to do thy will, working in us that which is well pleaſing in thy ſight through Jeſus Chriſt. *Heb.* 13. 21.

Make us wiſe to Salvation, and ſeeing our days are very few and uncertain, and repentance both neceſſary and out of our own power, let us not put it off till to morrow, not knowing what a day may bring forth, nor deceive our ſelves with vain purpoſes of parting with our Sins hereafter, when this very night our Souls may be taken from us; But ſeeing the Heavens and the Earth at *Luk.* 12. 20.

2 *Pet.* 3. 15. length, and our ſelves ere long, muſt be diſſolved, let us be diligent, that we may be found of thee in peace, without ſpot, and blameleſs.

Bleſs thy whole Church ſcattered far and near over the Face of the Earth; pour out upon it the Spirit of Truth and Holineſs, and grant that all that confeſs thy holy Name, may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love; be thou that art the Lord and Lawgiver of thy Church and People, their Protector and Saviour from all their Enemies, thou art our *Pſal.* 44. 4. King, O God, command deliverances for *Jacob.*

Be gracious and favourable to theſe Nations, many and heinous are the ſins whereby we

we have provoked thy Majeſty, great and heavy the Judgments that hang over us for thoſe Sins; pardon we moſt humbly beſeech thee our Sins, and avert thoſe Judgments, thou that ſitteſt between the Cherubims ſhine forth; before *England*, *Scotland* and *Ireland*, ſtir up thy ſtrength, and come and ſave us. *Pſal.* 80. 1, 2.

And though we of this Nation have deſerved to be overthrown with an utter deſtruction; and for ever caſt out of thy ſight, as a loathſome and abominable thing; for thy goodneſs, O Lord, pardon and ſpare, reform and amend, compoſe and ſettle, heal and eſtabliſh us, in the multitude of thy tender mercies.

Give us not up to the miſchiefs

chiefs and deſolations that we have deſerved, and thine and our Enemies have deſigned, nor ſuffer thoſe that hate us proudly to inſult and triumph over us.

Bleſs with all bleſſings of this life and the next, thine anointed Servant our Sovereign Lord the King; direct him in ſuch ways as are pleaſing to thee, and protect him from all dangers that may at any time threaten him. Let all ſubordinate Miniſters Eccleſiaſtical and Civil, be ſo aſſiſted by thy Grace and holy Spirit, that Religion and Godlineſs, Peace and Order, Love and Unity, Truth and Righteouſneſs may be eſtabliſhed and encouraged among us, and let all ſorts of men, laying aſide all

1 *Pet.* 2. 1.

all malice, and all guile, and hypocriſies, and envies, and all evil ſpeakings, keep the unity of the Spirit in the Bond of Peace. *Eph.* 4. 3.

Comfort the afflicted and diſtreſſed in Mind, Body or Eſtate, recompenſe the kindneſſes of our Friends ſeven fold into their Boſoms, forgive our Enemies, and help us ſo to forgive them, that we may comfortably hope for our own forgiveneſs.

Keep us, O Lord, from the evils and dangers, that, without thy protection might this night befal us, refreſh and ſtrengthen our frail Bodies with a moderate, quiet and peaceable reſt, and let the ſtrength of this nights healthful repoſe, be returned to thee in the next days

days faithful ſervice, that as every day we are nearer our death; we may be nearer an immortal Crown of Life and Glory, which thou haſt prepared and promiſed to them that Love and Fear thee, through Jeſus Chriſt, who, by his Righteouſneſs and Interceſſion, hath given us the liberty and confidence to ſay.

Our

OUr Father which art in Heaven, hallowed be thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy Will be done in Earth, As it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily Bread. And forgive us our Treſpaſſes, As we forgive them that Treſpaſs againſt us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from Evil: For thine is the Kingdom, and the Power, And the Glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

Wedneſday

Wedneſday Morning.

HOly and heavenly Father, thou art infinite in Power and Wiſdom, in Holineſs, Truth and Goodneſs, abundant in Mercy to all that call upon thee in truth, all thy Works in Heaven and Earth ſhew forth thy praiſe; the glorious Angels, and the glorified Spirits of juſt Men, being themſelves honoured in the honouring of thee, everlaſtingly triumph in the celebration of thy divine & incomprehenſible perfections; to praiſe and magnifie thy great and holy Name, is both the duty and priviledge of the Sons of Men, to whom thou haſt given underſtandings in ſome meaſure

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to conceive thy glorious excellencies, and tongues to declare them.

We thy poor and unworthy Servants, humbly offer up to thy divine Majeſty, the tribute of our hearty praiſes, and adorations of thine infinite Power and Juſtice, Wiſdom and Holineſs, Truth and Faithfulneſs, and bleſs thee with our whole Souls, for all thoſe bleſſings for our Souls and Bodies, our preſent and future happineſs, which are the effects of thy bounty and goodneſs.

We thank thee, O Lord, for our health and ſtrength, our liberty and peace, the Bread we eat and the Raiment we put on, that thou haſt delivered us from Pains and Sickneſſes, and thoſe grievous preſſures and calamities,

ties, wherewith others, better than our ſelves, are ſorely afflicted, that thou haſt the laſt night preſerved us from dangers and refreſhed us with ſleep, and beſtoweſt upon us all the ſupports and conveniencies of Life, and above all, that thou haſt redeemed us from Hell and Damnation, by the precious Blood of thy dear Son, that by his Goſpel thou haſt brought to light life and immortality, and encouraged our hopes of them by thy precious and faithful promiſes.

Lord what is Man that thou art ſo mindful of him? What are Sinners that thou ſheweſt ſuch favour unto them? Thy mercies conferr'd upon us are admirable, as we are thy Creatures that can no way oblige

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our Almighty and Independent Creator, and much more ſo as we are Sinners, that have offended and provoked our moſt righteous Sovereign Lord and Lawgiver.

Ever ſince we came into the World, we have been overſpread with a contagious Leproſie and loathſom Diſeaſe, and have added the iniquities of practiſe to our natural pollution, and more defiled our ſelves by chuſing our own crooked ways, and fulfilling the imaginations of our naughty hearts.

We have many times given ſcandal to others, by our open and obſerved miſcarriages, and caſt a blemiſh and reproach upon that holy Religion whereof we have made profeſſion;

ſo as to have made it worſe thought on by its Enemies, and with great folly we have ſometimes adventur'd to commit thoſe Sins in our private retirements, which we would have been aſhamed that men ſhould have taken notice of, though we have well known that the
Pſal. 139. 12 light and darkneſs are both alike to thee, and that no ſecreſie can hide from thine all-ſeeing Eye.

We have been too careleſs of avoiding temptations to Sin, and have run into thoſe ſnares, that by taking heed to our feet, we might have avoided; we have neglected the means of mortifying our Luſts, watchfulneſs, Prayer and Faſting, which through thy bleſſing might have been effectual to that bleſ-

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ſed purpoſe, and inſtead of ſtrongly and reſolutely oppoſing we have cowardly and treacherouſly complied with, furniſhed and animated thine and our Enemies, making proviſion for our Fleſh, to fulfil the Luſts thereof: and though we have been well aſſured that our lives and all our preſent earthly injoyments that ſupport and ſweeten them, are but of a ſhort and momentany continuance, we have laboured & been ſollicitous for the meat that periſhes and neglected that which endures to everlaſting Life. *Rom.* 13. 14. *Joh.* 6. 27.

How often have we deafned our Ear to the calls of thy Goſpel? And made light of both the invitations of thy gracious promiſes, and the terrors of thy dreadful threatnings? How often

ten have we hardned our hearts againſt the motions of thy holy Spirit? How often to ſatisfie our luſtful appetites, have we broken through the convictions of our own conſciences? And to violate thy holy and good Laws, have offered violence to the dictates of our own minds?

We judge our ſelves, O Lord, and acknowledge we have juſtly deſerved all that wrath that might make us everlaſtingly miſerable, and made our ſelves liable to thoſe threatned puniſhments, which we can neither eſcape nor endure; but O our merciful Father, do not thou condemn us, we are aſhamed and confounded in the ſenſe and remembrance of our tranſgreſſions, comfort us, O Lord, we beſeech thee, with a ſenſe

ſenſe of thy pardoning mercy, in our bleſſed and all-ſufficient Redeemer.

Help us by a ſincere and hearty repentance, to return to thee, from whom in our own crooked and perverſe ways we have gone aſtray; Let the time paſt of our lives ſuffice us to have wrought the wills of the fleſh, and ſeeing we have already by the frequent commiſſions of ſin too much offended thee, and endangered our Souls, let us not by the repeated and continued practice of it, heighten the offence and add to our guiltineſs. *1 Pet. 4. 3.*

Let the Blood of thy dear Son Jeſus Chriſt cleanſe us from all ſin, and through his precious Sacrifice and meritorious ſufferings, that was pure and perfect- *1 Joh. 1. 7.*

ly innocent, diſcharge and acquit us that have been foul offenders.

Let thy holy Spirit ſanctifie and renew us after thine own Image, in righteouſneſs and true holineſs, and as we hope to be pardoned, by the precious death of Chriſt, grant that crucifying our Luſts upon his Croſs; we may follow the example of his holy Life, and in all holineſs and humility, meekneſs and charity, zeal for thy Glory and ſubmiſſion to thy Will, patience, heavenly mindedneſs and ſelf-denial, contentment and the contempt of this World, we may walk as Chriſt walked, and be filled with all *Phil.* 1. 11. the fruits of righteouſneſs, which are through him unto thy praiſe and glory.

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Help us to live by faith in thy promiſes, in all varieties of thy providence, let this be our great ſupport and comfort, that thou haſt ſaid thou wilt never leave us nor forſake us, and in all difficulties and temptations, let this be our great care, that we do not leave nor forſake thee, But ſanctifie the Lord God in our hearts, and with a zealous faithfulneſs endeavour to pleaſe and approve our ſelves to thee in all our ways; and ſeeing we call on the Father, who, without reſpect of perſons judges according to every mans work, let us paſs the time of our ſojourning here in fear: And give diligence to make our calling and election ſure, that we may never fall either into ſcandalous ſins or inſupporta-

Heb. 13. 5.

1 *Pet.* 3. 15.

1 *Pet.* 1. 17.

2 *Pet.* 1. 10, 11.

ble miſeries, but an entrance may be miniſtred to us abundantly, into the everlaſting Kingdom of our Lord and Saviour, and when Chriſt who is our life ſhall appear, we may alſo appear with him in glory.

Col. 3. 4.

Shew thy favour and goodneſs to all mankind, and grant, O Lord, we beſeech thee, that the courſe of this world may be ſo peaceably ordered by thy governance, that thy Church may joyfully ſerve thee in all godly quietneſs, and being delivered from the Plots and Combinations, the Oppoſitions and Perſecutions of its Enemies, may alway walk before thee in truth and holineſs, and all that profeſs the Goſpel of our Lord Jeſus, may hold faſt his pure and heavenly Doctrines, and expreſs the

the power of them in their lives.

Bleſs this ſinful and provoking Nation, wherein we live, pardon our many great and crying ſins, heal our wide breaches, unite our diviſions, compoſe our diſtractions, and remove from us whatever may provoke the Eyes of thy Jealouſie and Glory, and deprive us of thy long continued temporal and ſpiritual bleſſings, and lay us open to thy dreadful and deſolating Judgments.

Send thy bleſſed Spirit into our hearts, a ſpirit of wiſdom and knowledge, and of the fear of the Lord, a ſpirit of truth and holineſs, of peace and unity, of righteouſneſs, moderation, meekneſs and charity, and inſtead of loading one another with

with ſlanders and ſcandals, foul reproaches and bitter cenſures, help us to bear one anothers
Gal. 6. 2. burdens, and ſo fulfil the Law of Chriſt.

Bleſs our Sovereign Lord King *Charles* with the choiceſt of thy bleſſings, fill his heart with wiſdom and piety, with a mighty ſenſe of the great Truſt thou haſt committed to him, and the great obligations thou haſt laid upon him, with courage and reſolution to ſupport and promote Righteouſneſs and true Religion.

And grant that all in places of Power and Authority may exert, and uſe it for the puniſhment of evil doers, and the praiſe of them that do well, as it becomes them that have received their Power from thee, and

and are accountable for it unto thee. Order all publick Affairs to thy glory, and the comfort and encouragement of all that fear thee. Support and comfort all thoſe whom thou haſt fed with the Bread of Tears and mingled their drink with weeping.

And we humbly beſeech thee for a bleſſing upon our ſelves, as thou haſt preſerved us this night, direct, aſſiſt, and proſper us in all the affairs and enterprizes of this day, and let us all the day long be in thy fear, remembring thou obſerveſt, and thou wilt judge us: and let a ſenſe of this preſerve us from all ſin, and quicken us to the doing of whatever may be pleaſing in thy ſight, through our bleſſed Redeemer, who, when we pray, hath taught and commanded us to ſay; *Our*

OUr Father which art in Heaven, hallowed be thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy Will be done in Earth, As it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily Bread. And forgive us our Treſpaſſes, As we forgive them that Treſpaſs againſt us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from Evil: For thine is the Kingdom, and the Power, And the Glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

Wedneſday

Wedneſday Evening.

BLeſſed Lord God, the high and lofty One, that inhabiteſt eternity, whoſe Name is Holy, who dwelleſt in the high and holy place, with him alſo that is of a contrite and humble Spirit. We wretched and miſerable ſinners, moſt humbly beſeech thee to look down upon us from the habitation of thy Holineſs, and glory in the multitude of thy tender mercies; and work in us that humble and contrite Spirit, that is ſo pleaſing and acceptable in thy ſight, that our hearts, hardned by the deceitfulneſs of Sin, may be ſoftned by the effectual working of thy Grace. *Iſai.* 57. 15.

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By commanding us to call upon thee, thou haſt made Prayer our Duty, and by promiſing to hear us when we Pray, thou haſt made it no leſs our priviledge: in obedience to thy command, and in the incouragement of thy Promiſe, we are here before thee, to offer up our Evening Sacrifice of Prayer, deſiring thee both to prepare our Hearts to Pray, and bow down thine ear to hear.

We are not of our ſelves ſufficient to perform any duty, to bear any burden, to reſiſt any temptation, to mortifie any luſt,
2 *Cor.* 3. 5. To think one good thought, but all our ſufficiency is of thee: thou, O Lord, canſt pardon our Sins, ſupply our wants, heal our diſtempers, enlighten our blindneſs, ſoften our hardneſs, ſtrengthen

ſtrengthen our weakneſs, we have no whither to go but unto thee, nor can we come to thee but in thine own Power: into ſuch a wretched condition have our Sins, brought us, that we are both unable to help our ſelves, and unworthy that thou ſhouldſt help us; but our comfort is, that thy Grace doth not uſe to find Sinners worthy, but make them ſo, nor doſt thou ſhew favour and kindneſs to them, becauſe they pleaſe thee, but becauſe thou art pleaſed with thine own Mercy and Goodneſs.

Our Iniquities, we acknowledge, have been many and great, a ſinful nature, as a corrupt Fountain, hath ſent forth polluted ſtreams in the thoughts, words and actions of our Lives, and

and we have often offended againſt thy holy Laws, and expreſſed the enmity of our carnal minds. Though all thy Laws are in themſelves moſt equal, juſt and good, and thou haſt both encouraged our obedience by the gracious promiſes of thy favourable acceptance, and an eternal recompence; and affrighted from ſin by threatning it with everlaſting puniſhment, yet lightly eſteeming thy Promiſes and contemning thy threatnings, we have trodden thy holy Laws under our Feet, and broken through the reſtraints, wherewith thou haſt hedged us in from finding our own ways.

Our pride and earthlineſs, our unbelief & unthankfulneſs, our hypocriſie, ſenſuality and hard-

hardneſs of heart, witneſs againſt us to our faces, and give us great cauſe to bluſh and be confounded, to mourn and grieve in the ſenſe of them.

Who of us hath had that due ſenſe of thy holineſs, power and goodneſs, thine omnipreſence and all-ſeeing Eye, as to be thereby driven from our Sins, or quickned to the exerciſe of Virtue and Godlineſs? Who of us hath been ſo affected with that Grace that hath appeared bringing Salvation, as to deny ungodlineſs and worldly luſts, and make it our ſtudy and buſineſs to pleaſe and approve our ſelves to thee? Who of us hath ſo felt the burthen, and taſted the bitterneſs of our ſins, as to loath and leave them with diſlike and abhorrency? Who of us hath

been ſo delighted in thy love, as to return thee our hearty love in a ſincere and uniform obedience? Who of us hath ſo firmly believed the rewards and puniſhments of the future ſtate, as to preſs toward the mark for the obtaining the prize, and make haſt to eſcape and flee from the bottomleſs Pit and burning Lake?

The zeal and earneſtneſs that we ſhould have ſhewn in matters of Religion, we have expreſſed in following our worldly intereſts, and that coldneſs and indifferency that would have been well beſtowed upon the little and ſhort lived benefits of the preſent Life, hath attended the performance of our holy duties.

We have in ſome meaſure known

known our Maſters Will, and yet have done our own, and to pleaſe our corrupt and fleſhly Appetites, have done what we have well underſtood to be diſpleaſing in thy ſight. Though thou haſt often commanded us to repent, and turn from our evil ways, and we have been convinced that to hear thy Voice to day, is both our duty and our wiſdom, we have demurred by lingring delays, and not caſt off our Sins by a ſpeedy repentance.

We are aſhamed, O Lord, of this our folly, and beſeech thee ſo to awaken and aſſiſt us by thy Grace, that we may not receive it in vain, nor longer delude our own Souls with the deceitful purpoſes of a future repentance, but let us make haſte

to hearken to thy loud and earneſt Calls, now while it is the accepted time, and the day of Salvation.

2 *Cor.* 6. 2.

And let thy pardoning mercy freely forgive all our Sins, thy Grace having by true repentance made us meet partakers of that ineſtimable benefit: So ſet them before our face, as that we may mark and conſider them, mourn for and confeſs, loath and forſake them; and ſo caſt them behind thy back, as not to obſerve them with a wrathful countenance, or puniſh them with a juſtly deſerved vengeance.

By the precious blood of thy dear Son, that immaculate Lamb, that was offered to take away the Sins of the World, Waſh us throughly from our Iniquities

Pſal. 51. 2.

Iniquities, and cleanſe us from our Sins, and through his perfect righteouſneſs let the free gift come upon us unto juſtifi- *Rom.* 5. 18.
cation of Life.

Deliver us, we pray thee, as from the guilt and damnation of Sin by his precious Sacrifice ſo from its power and dominion by his ſanctifying Spirit, and though like a Leproſie in the Walls of an infected houſe, Sin will remain in us while we are in the world, let it not reign *Rom.* 6. 12.
in our mortal Body, that we ſhould obey it in the luſts thereof. But as the Fleſh in us luſteth againſt the Spirit, let thy *Gal.* 3. 17.
Spirit in us reſiſt and ſubdue the luſts of the Fleſh.

Let not an inordinate love of the allurements, and intangling vanities of this World quench

or weaken in our Souls that entire and moſt hearty love that is due to thee and heavenly things, nor diſtracting cares for the conveniencies of the Body, eat out and deſtroy the care of our Souls, nor hinder a timely proviſion for their future and eternal happineſs. But for as much as our ſtay here below is very ſhort, and the time of our departure hence into an everlaſting ſtate very uncertain, let us with fear and trembling, earneſtneſs and diligence, work out our own Salvation, and carry our ſelves with upright and inoffenſive Conſciences toward thee and all men whilſt we are in the World, as we ſhall wiſh to have done when we come to leave it.

Help us to run the race of holy

holy obedience, meekneſs and patience, charity, contentment, conſtancy and perſeverance, to fight a good fight, finiſh our courſe, and keep the faith, that we may receive a Crown of righteouſneſs, which the righteous Judge ſhall at the laſt day give unto all them that love his appearing: And let the contemplation of that glory and happineſs, and the well-grounded hope of our attaining it, make us diligent and faithful in the diſcharge of our duty, watchful againſt all fleſhly defilements, patient and cheerful under all croſſes and troubles, cold and indifferent to all the profits and pleaſures of this Life, and let our whole converſation on Earth be ſuch as may become the Heirs of an heaven-

2 *Tim.* 4. 7. 8.

ly, glorious and eternal inheritance: that when our earthly
2 *Cor.* 5. 1. house of this tabernacle shall be dissolved, we may have a building of God, an house not made with hands, eternal in the Heavens, and be found meet to be
Col. 1. 12. partakers of the inheritance of the Saints in Light.

Look in mercy upon all the Sons of Men, and cause the light of thy Gospel to guide their feet into the way of peace, that are wandring in the darkness of sensuality, profaneness, superstition and idolatry, and shew them thy Salvation.

Bless thy whole Church throughout the World; preserve it from the offences and reproachful scandals of its professed Friends, and from the oppressions and persecutions of its open

open and declared Enemies: Let thy continual care keep and cleanſe thy Vineyard, that it may abound in the Fruits of Righteouſneſs.

Be merciful to this Nation where we live, pardon the Sins that cry aloud for vengeance, heal the breaches that threaten its ruine, and avert thoſe dreadful Judgments that hang over our heads; and as thou haſt all along often ſaved us from the deſtructions & miſeries that our daring wickedneſſes might have pull'd down upon our heads, give us cauſe more and more to magnifie thy mercy, and triumph in thy Salvation.

Bleſs our Lord the King with Wiſdom and Courage, a zeal for thy glory, and a continual care of promoting Righteouſneſs

neſs and true Religion; and let all under him in places of Civil and Eccleſiaſtical Government, make it their buſineſs to further Righteouſneſs and Peace, and the good of Souls: and let all ſorts of men follow after peace, without which they cannot ſee happineſs on Earth, and holineſs, without which they ſhall not ſee thy Face in Heaven.

Be thou a preſent help for the relief and ſuccour of all that are in a ſuffering condition, and let that good providence that hath defended, directed and aſſiſted us in the dangers, the occurrences and buſineſſes of the day, ſo protect and refreſh us with ſleep this night, that in the morning we may be more fit to ſerve thee, and live to thy praiſe in Chriſt Jeſus our Lord,

Lord, through whom, we beſeech thee to accept our perſons, pardon our ſins and hear our Prayers, when we ſay,

OUr Father which art in Heaven, hallowed be thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy Will be done in Earth, As it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily Bread. And forgive us our Treſpaſſes, As we forgive them that Treſpaſs againſt us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from Evil: For thine is the Kingdom, and the Power, And the Glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

Thurſday

Thurſday Morning.

MOſt gracious God, and merciful Father in Jeſus Chriſt, the Author of our Being, and the Fountain of all thoſe good things that may make us happy in this World and that which is to come, we thy poor Creatures, vile and provoking Sinners, in the ſenſe of our own guilt fly to thy mercy to pardon us; in the ſenſe of our weakneſs fly to thy might to ſtrengthen us; in the ſenſe of our own ignorance and folly, fly to thy wiſdom to inſtruct and counſel us; in the ſenſe of our manifold wants and neceſſities, fly to thy fulneſs and all-ſufficiency to ſupply us.

We

We acknowledge, O Lord, that our nature is not only corrupt and ſinful, overſpread with a Leproſie and loathſome Diſeaſe, that might make us for ever abominable in thy pure Eyes; but our practiſes have been contrary to thy holy and righteous Laws, both in the doing what thou haſt forbidden us, and the leaving undone what thou haſt commanded us; we have followed after and fulfilled our own Luſts, and yielded to them a vile and ſlaviſh ſubjection, as to our Lords and Lawgivers, whilſt we have refuſed and been weary of thy Service, as a ſlavery, which is perfect freedom.

We have forgotten thee, our God, and turning aſide to lying vanities, have ſinned againſt thee

thee in every ſtate and condition of our lives; in our health we have ſeldom thought how ſoon we might be caſt upon a ſick Bed, and in our ſickneſs have been unprepared for death, that might have been the iſſue of it; in our proſperity we have been ſecure and ſenſual, wanton, proud and unthankful, and in our adverſity we have repined and murmured with impatience and diſcontentment, and when our folly hath perverted our ways, our hearts have fretted againſt the Lord.

Pro. 19. 3.

We have ſuffered our ſelves to be prevailed upon by the pleaſures and profits of this Life, thoſe deceitful baits of the Fleſh, that having for a while gratified our ſenſual inclination, have left the ſharp and wounding

ing hook of fear and diſquiet in our conſciences: And though thou haſt graciouſly forewarned us, that our moſt pleaſant Luſts will be bitterneſs in the latter end, and the wages of Sin is nothing leſs then death, and eternal miſery, yet by our unbelief and carnal affections, and the preſent ſeeming advantages of Sin, we have been drawn into Sin; and not frighted from it by its future miſchiefs and puniſhments. *Rom.* 6. 23.

Thou haſt ſent thy Son into the World to redeem and ſave us from our Sins, to make known thy Will, and publiſh to us his holy and good Laws, that we ſhould govern our thoughts, our words and actions by them; but we have by our diſobedience, vilely caſt away his Scepter

Scepter, and diſown'd the authority of his Laws; notwithſtanding our profeſſions to
Tit. 1. 16. know and believe him, we have by wicked works denyed him, and naming the Name of Chriſt,
2 *Tim.* 2. 19. we have not departed from Iniquity.

We have ſo reſiſted and grieved thy holy Spirit, who hath earneſtly pleaded with us to caſt off our Sins, and return to our Duty, that he might in diſpleaſure withdraw from us, and forbearing his bleſſed motions, and leaving us deſtitute of his gracious aſſiſtance, might give us up to the blindneſs of our own minds, the unbelief and impenitent hardneſs of our hearts, and ſuffer us to go on in our own ways, till our condition were wholly hopeleſs, and without

without poſſibility of recovery, we had ſinn'd our ſelves into eternal miſery.

Awaken, O Lord, we pray thee, our ſleepy Conſciences, and ſo throughly convince us of the great evil of Sin, and thoſe fearful puniſhments that follow it, that we may in good earneſt and without the leaſt delay, flee from it, by a moſt ſerious and hearty repentance, and return unto the Lord our God, from whom we have fallen, and gone aſtray by our Iniquities. *Hoſ.* 14. 1.

Through the ſufferings and precious death of thy Son, be reconciled and ſpeak peace to us, though our offences are very foul and heinous, and our beſt righteouſneſs cannot encourage us to look up with confidence to thine offended

Majeſty, yet in the righteouſneſs of our bleſſed Mediator, we both pray and hope to be forgiven, being by thy ſelf aſſured, that thou haſt given him a great and all-ſufficient Redeemer for the Atonement of great Tranſgreſſors, and exalted him
Acts 5. 31. to be a Prince and a Saviour, to give repentance and remiſſion of Sins. For our ſakes, and in our ſtead, he endured the puniſhments that himſelf had not deſerved, he
Iſa. 53. 5. was wounded for our Tranſgreſſions, and the chaſtiſement of our peace was upon him, O let us through his Stripes be healed.

Help us, being delivered from wrath and condemnation,
Matt. 22. 37, 39. to love thee the Lord our God, with all our heart, and our Neighbour

Neighbour as our ſelves, and let's evidence our love to thee by keeping thy Commandments, and our love to our Neighbour by forbearing and forgiving, reproving and admoniſhing, counſelling, comforting and relieving him, and performing all acts of charity and kindneſs to him. 1 *Joh.* 5. 3.

Let us herein exerciſe our ſelves to have always a conſcience void of offence toward thee, and toward men: enlighten our underſtandings with the knowledge of thy Will, inflame our affections with a delightful love of it, and ſo conform our wills unto thine, that we may readily do what thou wouldſt have us do, and cheerfully ſuffer what thou wouldſt have us ſuffer. Give us that *Acts* 24. 16. *Jam.* 3. 17.

wiſdom which is from above, that is firſt pure, to fit us for the happineſs of another life, and then peaceable, to give a reliſh to the injoyments of this: and let us ſo imploy our ſelves in the affairs and buſineſſes of this World, as to make Religion our great buſineſs, and preſent
Rom. 12. 1. our Bodies and Souls a living Sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto thee, which is our reaſonable Service.

Help us to ſubdue our inordinate deſires, and all ſinful paſſions, and when at any time we are tempted to the breach of thy Laws, with courage to reſiſt the temptation, not daring to ſin againſt thee our gracious Father and righteous Judge; and whatever Talents thou intruſteſt to our management, health, ſtrength

ſtrength or credit, our time, Eſtates, the ſeaſons of Grace, and opportunities of doing good, let us husband and improve them with that wiſdom and faithfulneſs that become them, that muſt ere long give an account of their Stewardſhip.

And becauſe through the weakneſs of our mortal nature, we can do no good thing without thee, grant us the help of thy Grace, that in keeping thy Commandments, we may pleaſe thee both in will and deed, and in our ſeveral Callings, whether they be publick or private; our ſeveral Conditions, whether of proſperity or adverſity; our ſeveral Relations, whether of Huſbands or Wives, Parents or Children, Maſters or Servants, Neighbours and Friends, we

may perform the Duties that thoſe Callings, Conditions and Relations require of us: And
Mat 5. 16 let our light ſo ſhine before Men, that they ſeeing our good Works, may glorifie thee, our Father which art in Heaven.

Whileſt we are in the way
Mat. 5. 25. let us quickly agree with our Adverſary, and give diligence that by a ſincere repentance, and an upright univerſal obedience we may be found of thee in peace, and prepared to appear before the Judgment-Seat of Chriſt, when he ſhall ſit upon the Throne of his Glory, and weighing our thoughts, words and actions, in impartial Ballances, ſhall render to us according to our works: and let the conſideration of that account leave ſuch awful impreſſions in our

our hearts, as both to hinder the doing of whatever may make the thoughts of it terrible to us, and cauſe us to wait for our Lord with our Loyns girt, and our Lamps burning, that at his return we may enter with him into everlaſting habitations. *Luk.* 12. 35.

Let thy merciful hands be opened toward all the Sons of Men, whom thy hands have made; and with a more eſpecial kindneſs be gracious and favourable to *Sion*; keep thy Church and Houſhold, continually in thy true Religion, and leaning upon the hope of thy heavenly Grace, let them evermore be defended by thy mighty Power.

Bleſs this ſinful and unworthy Nation; pardon all our Sins

that cry aloud in thine Ears for vengeance, purely purge away our droſs, and take away all our Tin; deliver us from the deſtructions we have deſerved, and perpetuate thy Goſpel and true Religion among us, from generation to generation.

Iſa. 1. 25.

Let the Life and Health, the peace, honour and ſafety of our Soveraign Lord, be precious in thy ſight, and let all that govern under Him in Church and State, maintain and encourage Truth and Peace, Religion, Righteouſneſs and all goodneſs: and grant that all under their Authority may lead quiet and peaceable lives in all godlineſs and honeſty.

1 *Tim.* 2. 2.

Succour and relieve all in any ſuffering condition, recompence the kindneſſes of our Friends

rriends and Benefactors ſeven-fold into their Boſom; forgive and help us heartily to forgive all that may have offered injury and unkindneſs to us.

Look down upon us in mercy that are here lifting up our hands and hearts to thee; we bleſs thee for the peace, ſafety and refreſhment of the laſt night, beſeeching thee, ſo to guard us through the hazards, and guide us through the affairs of this day, that we may glorifie thee, grow in Grace, and go forward in the way that leads to everlaſting Life and happineſs, through our Lord Jeſus Chriſt, according to whoſe direction and command we further pray;

Our

OUr Father which art in Heaven, hallowed be thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy Will be done in Earth, As it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily Bread. And forgive us our Treſpaſſes, As we forgive them that Treſpaſs againſt us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from Evil: For thine is the Kingdom, and the Power, And the Glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

Thurſday

Thurſday Evening.

ALmighty and everlaſting God, the wiſe and righteous Governour of all things in Heaven and Earth, who doſt whatſoever thou pleaſeſt, and whatever thou doſt is well and wiſely done, becauſe thou doſt it: we thine unworthy Servants, whom thy hands have made, and ever ſince ſupported and ſupplyed, beſeech thee in mercy to look down upon us, that in a ſenſe of our own vileneſs are here humbling our ſelves at thy Foot-ſtool acknowledging it thy mercy and long-ſuffering, that we are intruſted with one opportunity more, to implore thy pardon and forgiveneſs. Thou

Thou might'ſt have deſtroyed us, the polluted Off-ſpring of diſobedient Parents, as ſoon as ever we came into the world, and ever ſince we were capable of breaking thy Laws, we have added ſin unto ſin, and heapt tranſgreſſion upon tranſgreſſion.

We have trifled away that time, that thou haſt allotted us to make proviſion for an happy Eternity, in the purſuit of pleaſure and profit, tranſient and momentany vanities, and have waged and maintained War againſt thee in thoſe ſeaſons of Grace, thou haſt afforded us for the making our peace: thy patience and long-ſuffering that ſhould have led us to repentance, we have perverted to fleſhly purpoſes, and a more

preſumptuous

preſumptuous and impenitent progreſs in Sin.

We have over-cared for, over-loved, over-deſired and over-delighted in the good things of this World, and inordinately placed our affections upon earthly and temporary injoyments, which thou haſt fitted to ſuch things as have in them an heavenly, ſpiritual and everlaſting excellency: How grievouſly and how juſtly might'ſt thou plague us with the deſires of our own hearts, and puniſh us by giving us our portion in this Life?

As thou haſt multiplied thy Bleſſings we have multiplied our Iniquities, and tranſgreſſed thoſe holy and good Laws which thou haſt given us as the rule of our carriage towards thee,

thee, our ſelves and others, and wherein thou haſt commanded us nothing but what tends to the perfection of our nature, and the promoting of our happineſs.

We have little regarded thy deſign in ſending us into this World, which was that we ſhould ſerve and pleaſe, obey and honour thee, our great Creator and gracious Benefactor, and as little laid to heart the ſtrict account that we muſt ſhortly render of all our ways and works, before thy exact and impartial Tribunal, when we ſhall go hence and be here no more.

We have turn'd a deaf ear to thy counſels, quencht the motions of thy Spirit, miſimproved thy mercies to make them

them the materials of pride, and a wanton ſenſuality, rejected the tenders of thy Grace, and hardned our hearts under the correction of thy Rod; And if thou, Lord, ſhouldſt mark our Iniquities, who of us, O Lord, could ſtand? *Pſal.* 130.3.

How juſtly mightſt thou deprive us of all the bleſſings that we have forfeited? And make us feel the ſmart and ſeverity of that vengeance that thou haſt threatned? Thou mightſt inflict pains and diſeaſes in our Bodies, and purſue us with terrours, and the fearful foretaſts of wrath in our conſciences; thou mightſt remove thy Goſpel, which we have abuſed, and withdraw thy Spirit whom we have grieved; thou mightſt give us up to the luſts of our own

Pſal. 81.12. own hearts, that we ſhould walk in our own counſels, till we had filled up the meaſure of our Sins, and ripened our ſelves to be cut down for everlaſting puniſhment.

But with thee there is mercy Pſal. 130.4. and forgiveneſs that thou mayſt be feared, and we may be pardoned: work in us we beſeech thee, that deep contrition and through repentance, which wherever it is wrought, is followed by forgiveneſs, and through faith in the blood of thy dear Son, who hath made peace by the blood of his Croſs; let us be juſtified and reconciled, and rejoyce in thee, having Rom. 5. 11. received the Atonement.

Sanctifie us in Soul, Spirit and Body to thy Service, enlighten our minds with the knowledge

knowledge of thy Will, incline our wills to the obedience of it, purifie our affections to a love and delight in it, purge our conſciences from dead works to ſerve thee the living God, and as we have yielded our Members Servants of unrighteouſneſs unto Iniquity, let us yield them the Servants of Righteouſneſs unto Holineſs. *Heb.* 9. 14. *Rom.* 6. 19.

And becauſe we are in this World beſet with many Snares and Temptations; let us be ſober and vigilant, and walk circumſpectly, not as Fools but as Wiſe, ſhunning all appearance of evil, and avoiding whatever may be an occaſion to the Fleſh, ſuffer us not at any time ſo to be led into temptation, as that the ſollicitations of Satan, the Allurements of this vain World, *1 Pet.* 5. 8. *Eph.* 5. 15.

or the ſuggeſtions of our own carnal and treacherous hearts, ſhould draw us into thoſe ſinful ways that are diſpleaſing to thee, and deſtructive to our Souls, but being alway ſenſible of how great importance and neceſſity it is, to work out our
Phil. 2. 12. Salvation with fear and trembling, how ſhort a time is allotted to us: How many and powerful Enemies are combined to hinder us: How glorious the Reward is that is promiſed: And how dreadful and inſupportable the puniſhment that is threatned, Let us make haſt to eſcape the wrath to come, and with all our might endeavour to lay hold of eternal Life, preſſing toward the mark for
Phil. 3. 14. the prize of the high Calling of God in Chriſt Jeſus.

And

And ſeeing we call on the Father, who without reſpect of perſons, judges according to every mans work, let us paſs the time of our ſojourning here in fear, and never allow our ſelves the commiſſions of any known Sin, nor the omiſſion or neglect of any known Duty. 1 *Pet.* 1. 17.

Enable us by thy holy Spirit to ſubdue and govern our unruly paſſions, to reſiſt and cruſh the firſt motions of Sin in our earthly members, faithfully to trade the ſeveral Talents thou putſt into our hands, regularly to fill up all the relations wherein thou haſt placed us, patiently to bear all our burdens, cheerfully to injoy all our bleſſings, and thankfully to return them to thee in thy ſervice and praiſe, and ſo wiſely to im-

prove all thy providences, both of bounty and ſeverity, that in our loweſt adverſity we be not dejected with anxiety and unbelief, and in our higheſt proſperity, our hearts be not lifted up with pride to forget thee the Lord our God, but in all things the glory of thy great Name may be advanced, and the ſpiritual profit of our Souls, and their growth in grace may be promoted and furthered.

Cheriſh and increaſe in us all ſincere, though feeble motions towards a more perfect and uniform obedience to thy Will, and having begun a good work in any of us, complete and fi-
Phil. 1.6. niſh it until the day of Jeſus Chriſt: help us to love thee more entirely, to ſerve thee more diligently, to truſt in thee more

more fully, to live to thee more exactly, to pleaſe thee more abundantly than we have hitherto done, that in a dying hour our Sins and Follies may not ſtrike us with horror and perplexity, but our Souls may be filled with ſweet and comfortable reflections upon thoſe ways that have been pleaſing to thee, that our God, & our Conſciences may ſmile upon us, and ſpeak kindly to us, when all the things of this World are forſaking us, and we are paſſing into an eternal ſtate. Uſe us, O Lord, whileſt we live, as Inſtruments of thy Glory in all holineſs, and as Veſſels of Glory, fill us when we dye, with everlaſting happineſs.

Let all the Sons of Men whom thou haſt made capable

of thy grace and favour be made partakers of it: Relieve them that are any way diſtreſſed, and enlighten them with the knowledge of thy Goſpel that ſit in darkneſs.

Beautifie Mount *Sion* the joy of the whole Earth, with thy Salvation, deliver thy Church from ignorance and error, pride and hypocriſie, ſtrife and contention, ſchiſm, prophaneneſs, tyranny, ſuperſtition and idolatry, and let there be none to offend or oppreſs in thy Holy Mountain.

Be gracious and merciful to this ſinful and divided Nation, though our Sins be as ſcarlet, let them be white as Snow, though they be red like crimſon, let them be as Wool: Eſtabliſh thy Religion in the truth and purity

Iſai. 1. 18.

purity of it, and let it be made beautiful by the religious lives and practices of them that profeſs it.

Let the King joy in thy ſtrength, O Lord, and exceedingly rejoyce in thy Salvation, bleſs him with length of days and ſafety from dangers, direct him by wiſe Counſels to juſt, honourable and ſucceſsful Enterprizes; let all ſubordinate Authority be exerciſed to the beating down of Vice, and the exaltation of Religion and Righteouſneſs, and diſpoſe all that are under Authority to a pious obedience unto thee, a peaceable ſubjection to them that thou haſt ſet over them, not only for wrath, but for conſcience ſake, and to mutual kindneſs and a brotherly love of one another. *Pſal.* 21. 1. *Rom.* 13. 5.

We come unto thee, holy Father, for a bleſſing upon our ſelves, beſeeching thee to take our Bodies and Souls, our Habitation and Poſſeſſions, into the ſafe cuſtody of thy watchful Providence, that no evil befal
Pſal. 91.10. us, nor any plague come nigh our dwelling, repair the decays of our frail Bodies by a quiet and refreſhing reſt, and let us lay out our ſtrength and vigour in thy ſervice, to thy praiſe and honour, and the giving up our account with joy, at the appearing of our Lord and Saviour Jeſus Chriſt, in whom, as the High Prieſt of our Profeſſion, we offer up all our Prayers and Praiſes, and through whom alone we hope to be heard and accepted, when praying, we ſay;

Our

OUr Father which art in Heaven, hallowed be thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy Will be done in Earth, As it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily Bread. And forgive us our Treſpaſſes, As we forgive them that Treſpaſs againſt us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from Evil: For thine is the Kingdom, and the Power, And the Glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

Friday

Friday Morning.

Dan. 9. 4. O Lord, the great and holy God, that keepeſt Cove-
Pſal. 145. 18. nant and Mercy, to them that love thee, and art nigh to all that call upon thee in truth and ſincerity, though thou haſt thouſands of holy and bleſſed Spirits, and ten thouſand times ten thouſands dayly Miniſtring about thy Throne, and art not at all better'd by their pure and ſpotleſs Services, yet thou haſt gracious and compaſſionate regards to the Prayers of weak and ſinful Creatures, that dwell in Houſes of Clay, thou openeſt thine Eyes to take knowledge of their condition, boweſt thine Ear to hearken to their Cryes, moveſt thy

thy Bowels to pity their infirmities, and ſtretcheſt forth thine hand to relieve their wants.

We poor Creatures and guilty Sinners are here fallen down at thy Footſtool, adoring thine infinite perfections of holineſs and wiſdom, power, truth and goodneſs, and beſeeching thee mercifully to look upon our follies and frailties, to ſupply our bodily and ſpiritual neceſſities, to lift up the light of thy countenance upon us, and turn away thy Face from our deſerts of vengeance, to anſwer all wihch purpoſes, we have none in Hea- *Pſal.* 73. 25. ven but thee, none in Earth that our Souls can deſire in compariſon of thee.

We dare not, we confeſs, look up to Heaven with any confidence of being accepted for

for our own worthineſs, as being conſcious that we have grievouſly offended that holy, juſt, and Almighty Majeſty that is there ſeated on the Throne of his Glory; nor are we worthy to tread upon the Earth, or injoy the fruits and benefits of it, where we have acted our wickedneſſes in the ſight of Heaven.

We were not only conceived in Sin, and brought forth in Iniquity, but we have conceived Sin, and brought forth Iniquity,
Num. 32. 14 and are riſen up in our Fathers ſtead a generation of ſinful men; to kindle and in creaſe the anger of the Lord againſt us.

We have followed after our own imaginations, and fulfilled the motions of our own Wills which have been oppoſite and contrary to the declarations of thine,

thine, though there hath been the greateſt reaſon we ſhould receive Law from thy Mouth as our Almighty Creator, Sovereign Lord, and merciful Redeemer.

How barren and unfruitful have we been in thy Vineyard, though thou haſt cauſed the Clouds to drop down their moiſture upon us, and watered us with the plentiful ſhowers of thy Word, and the fructifying dew of thy holy Spirit, that ſhould have made us fruitful in all good works? How have we neglected the Seaſons of Grace? And when thou haſt called us to a ſpeedy and preſent repentance, the anſwer of our hearts hath been, we will repent to morrow, as if we could live as long as we liſted, and had power

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er in our ſelves to turn to thee when we liſted.

We bewail, before thee, the blindneſs of our underſtandings, the ſtubbornneſs of our wills, the vanity of our thoughts, the earthlineſs of our affections, we have hated what thou loveſt, and loved what thou hateſt, and the good things which thou haſt allowed us to love moderately, and in ſubordination to thee, we have followed with eager and unbounded appetites, and embraced with our higheſt and beſt love: we have not carryed our ſelves as it becomes thoſe that are Strangers and Pilgrims upon the Earth, and profeſs to ſeek a better heavenly Countrey, but lived as if we were at home, and expected nothing better than what is

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to be here injoyed, as if the happineſs of this Life would never end, and that of the next would never begin.

O Lord, be merciful to us, and in the multitude of thy tender mercies be reconciled to us through thy Son, and blot out all our Iniquities: give us heartily to repent of all our forepaſt Sins and Follies, and ſo to receive Chriſt Jeſus the Lord, as *Col.* 2. 6. to walk in him: And whatever thou denyeſt us, grant us a full pardon through our dear and all-ſufficient Redeemer, whom thou haſt ſet forth to be a Propitiation through Faith in his Blood. *Rom.* 3. 25.

And let the time paſt of our *1 Pet.* 4. 3. Lives ſuffice to have wrought the wills of the fleſh, judging that Chriſt dyed for us, that we ſhould

2 *Cor.* 5. 15. ſhould not henceforth live unto our ſelves, but unto him which dyed for us, and roſe again: help us to walk worthy *Col.* 1. 10. of thee unto all pleaſing, being fruitful in every good work, and increaſing in the knowledge of God; give us we pray thee a *Pſal.* 111. 10 good underſtanding, not only to know, but to do thy Commandments, and by growing 2 *Pet.* 3. 18. in Grace, let us increaſe the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jeſus Chriſt.

Phil. 4. 8. Whatſoever things are true, whatſoever things are honeſt, whatſoever things are juſt, whatſoever things are pure, whatſoever things are lovely, whatſoever things are of good report, if there be any virtue, and if there be any praiſe, let us think on, and follow theſe things, and never

never be ſlothful in the weighty matters of thine honour, and the everlaſting intereſt and happineſs of our Souls, but diligently follow thoſe that have been followers of thee, and have through faith and patience inherited the promiſes. *Heb.* 6. 12.

And becauſe we are weak in our ſelves, and inſufficient to perform our duty, to ſubdue our luſts, to improve our bleſſings, or bear our burdens, to reſiſt and conquer our ſpiritual enemies, to ſtand our ground in the fight, or recover our ſelves from our falls, let thy grace and holy ſpirit ſtrengthen us with might in our inward man, and make us more than conquerors through him that hath loved us. *Eph.* 3. 16. *Rom.* 8. 37.

Cauſe us in the firſt place to

Mat. 6. 33. ſeek thy Kingdom and righteouſneſs, and as thoſe that are
Col. 3. 1. riſen with Chriſt, to ſeek the things that are above, not looking at the things that are ſeen,
2 *Cor.* 4. 18. for they are temporal; but at the things which are not ſeen, for they are eternal: Let our
Mat. 6. 20. treaſure be laid up in Heaven, where Moth and Ruſt corrupt not, and where Thieves break not through, nor Steal, and let our hearts be where our treaſure is.

Guide us continually in all the ways of wiſdom and righteouſneſs, and defend us againſt all temptations that might withdraw us from them; help us to go on our way rejoycing, and working righteouſneſs, and perform our ſeveral duties to thee and all men, with ſuch cheerfulneſs

neſs and conſtancy, as not to be weary of well-doing, but by a religious abſtinence, and moderate uſe of bodily refreſhments, let our fleſh be ſo ſubdued to the Spirit, that we may ever obey thy godly motions, and in a courſe of righteouſneſs and true holineſs run to the end of the race which thou haſt ſet before us, and be made partakers of that glorious prize which thou haſt promiſed to all them that by a patient continuance in well-doing ſeek for glory and honour, and immortality. *Rom.* 2. 7.

And let the proſpect and bleſſed hope of thy heavenly Kingdom, make us upright and faithful, active and diligent, contented and cheerful in every condition of life, humble and pati-

ent, ſtedfaſt and reſolved, ſelf-denying, and heavenly minded, till thou bringeſt us to the poſſeſſion of thoſe inconceiveable joys, and makeſt us to drink of the Rivers of Pleaſure, that are at thy right hand for evermore.

Do good with us, we pray thee, to the whole world, and let all that bear the image of thy power and wiſdom be made partakers of thy favour and kindneſs, let the Nations that know thee not, be delivered from the power of darkneſs, and tranſlated into the Kingdom of thy dear Son. *Col.* 1. 13.

Be gracious in an eſpecial manner to all whom thou haſt called to the knowledge and obedience of his Goſpel, forgive, gracious Father, and ſhowr down

down thy bleſſings upon the inhabitants of this ſinful Land; let us prepare to meet thee by an hearty and univerſal repentance, and ſo prevent thoſe judgments that ſeem to be arrayed, and marching forward to our deſtruction.

Give Salvation to our King, and preſerve thy Servant from hidden Treacheries and the hurtful Sword; direct all publick Counſels to thine honour, the promoting of true Religion, the eſtabliſhment of Righteouſneſs and Peace, and the comfort of all them that heartily love and fear thee, and let all that love thy Salvation, ſay continually, the Lord be magnified. *Pſai.* 144. 10 *Pſal.* 40. 16.

Comfort all that in any kind ſuffer adverſity, let thy holy

Spirit refreſh them as with new Wine, whom thou haſt given Tears to drink in great meaſure, and let that good providence that hath been our protection and repoſe this night, defend us from all the dangers and temptations, direct and proſper us in all the deſigns and enterpriſes of this day, and by a faithful diſcharge of our duty, bring us nearer to the glorious reward of Eternal Life, which thou haſt promiſed in Chriſt Jeſus our Lord, in whoſe Name and Words, we further commend our ſelves and others to thy grace and mercy, ſaying.

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Friday

Friday Evening.

MOſt bleſſed Lord God, the Father of Mercies, our hope and preſent help, our ſtrength and our Salvation, the over-flowing and inexhauſtible Fountain of all Good, we thy poor Servants, in an humble and thankful ſenſe of thy great goodneſs, and emboldned by the invitation of thy gracious promiſes, preſent our ſelves before the Throne of thy Grace, to offer up our ſupplications, and thankſgivings through the Mediation of thy dear Son, in whom thou haſt given us acceſs with confidence, through the Faith of him.

Eph. 3. 12.

We are moſt unworthy in our

our ſelves to receive bleſſings, or offer praiſes, but worthy art thou, O Lord, to receive honour and glory, and bleſſing, and thankſgiving, as for thy divine perfections which we cannot comprehend, ſo for thine abundant kindneſſes towards us, which we can neither deſerve nor number.

Thou didſt frame and faſhion us in the Womb, by thy wiſdom and power, and haſt maintained and provided for us by thy goodneſs and bounty, ever ſince thou haſt brought us into life and being; giving us richly all things to injoy, not only the neceſſaries, but conveniencies of Life, whereby it hath been made eaſie and pleaſant to us.

But above all from the bottom

tom of our hearts we praiſe, a dore and magnifie thy tranſcendent wiſdom & ſuperlative love in that ineſtimable benefit of our Redemption, by the bitter ſufferings and bloody Death of thy dear Son, that when we had loſt and undone our ſelves, were lyable to wrath and eternal miſery, when we lay weltring in our own blood, and there was no Eye to pity, no Hand to relieve us, thou redeemedſt us in ſuch a way as no creature had wiſdom to contrive, worthineſs to undertake or power to effect.

We praiſe thee O Lord, that thou haſt in thy Goſpel manifeſted this great and admirable Salvation, made thy goodneſs to paſs before us, and fully and plainly inſtructed us in our duty;

ty; that in performing the one we might be made partakers of the other; that thou haſt afforded us the means of Grace, thy Word and Sacraments, opportunities of thy publick Worſhip, the motions and aſſiſtances of thy holy Spirit, that thou haſt quickned our obedience by the hopes of a glorious recompence.

Give us, we pray thee, a due ſenſe of all thy mercies, and withdraw not thy loving kindneſs from us; if our worthineſs had been to procure theſe mercies, they had never been put into our hands, and if any thing but thy goodneſs were to continue them, we could never hold them; our own wickedneſs might correct us, and our back-ſlidings reprove us, for we *Jer.* 2. 19.

have

have ſinned and done very fooliſhly.

We have perverted and polluted our ways, and profeſſing
Tit. 1. 16. to know thee, have in our works denyed thee, we have called thee our Father, but have not loved and honoured thee, as Children, our Maſter, but have not feared and obeyed thee as Servants, our Friend and Benefactor, but have expreſſed our enmity againſt thee in wicked works; we have
2 *Tim.* 2. 19. named the Name of Chriſt, but not departed from Iniquity, vowed allegiance to thee in our Baptiſm, but have broken thy Bonds aſunder, and caſt away thy Cords from us, and as if the temptations of the World and the Devil would not have enough prevailed to defile and deſtroy

deſtroy us, we have tempted our ſelves, and been drawn away of our own luſt and enticed. *Jam.* 1. 14.

We have not had that ſenſe of thy Love, as to love thee with all our hearts; that ſenſe of thy Mercies, as with thoſe Cords of kindneſs to be drawn to thy Service; that ſenſe of thy diſpleaſure, as to fear offending thee; that ſenſe of Sins filthineſs and deformity, as to hate and flee from it with our whole Souls; nor have we had that belief of Heavens Glory and Happineſs, as by a fruitfulneſs in good works to preſs toward it with all our might; that active and vigorous diligence that ſhould have been uſed to promote the ſpiritual good of our Souls, and ſecure their immortal

mortal intereſt, we have with great folly miſimployed in purſuing the pleaſures and profits of this World, and in aſſuring thoſe fickle and ſlippery vanities, that are not capable of a long, or certain continuance.

O Lord have mercy upon us, miſerable offenders, and help us ſo to repent of all the Sins we have committed, as never more to commit the Sins of which we have repented, and work in us a true and a lively faith in thy dear Son, our bleſſed Redeemer, who is both God and Man, that God and Man may be reconciled, and through the blood of his Croſs, grant us repentance and remiſſion of Sins, and by that precious Blood, ſprinkled upon our Conſciences, purge them from dead Works,

Heb. 9. 14.

to

to ſerve thee the living God.

Waſh our hearts from wickedneſs that we may be ſaved, and let not vain thoughts lodg within us, help us ſo to govern our Tongue, that unruly Member, that no corrupt communication may at any time proceed out of our Mouth, but that which is good to the uſe of edifying, that it may miniſter grace unto the hearers: and let all our actions be directed by thy Word, and deſigned to thy Glory. *Jer.* 4. 14. *Eph.* 4. 29.

That delight and ſatisfaction that we might vainly, and to no purpoſe ſeek, in ſenſual pleaſures, and the impure gratifications of the Fleſh, let us ſeek and find in the ways of holineſs, and a dutiful compliance with thy Will, that in loving and keeping thy

Pſal. 119. 165. thy Law, we may have great peace, and nothing may offend us: and in the midſt of all the troubles and confuſions of the World, we may rejoyce in our reconciliation with thee, and in the harmony and peaceful reports of our own conſciences.

Bleſs us in our Callings and Imployments, that we may neither abound in Riches, leſt we be full and deny thee, nor be pinched with extream want, leſt we be tempted to the evils that attend an impoveriſhed State, but in thy wiſe and good providence, carve out to us ſuch a convenient ſhare of worldly good things, health and ſtrength, riches and reputation, that we may faithfully ſerve thee, and be cheerfully helpful to our brethren. Let thy love and

Pro. 30.8.9.

and holy fear ſo intermix with and ſweeten all our earthly injoyments, that we may eat our Bread with joy, and drink our Wine with a merry heart, becauſe thou acceptest our works. *Eccl.* 9.7.

In every condition of Life be thou our Guide, and our Support, help us to love and rejoyce in thee above our higheſt and beſt comforts, and under our croſſes, with patience and cheerfulneſs to reſign up our ſelves to thy wiſe and righteous providence, and with a ſtedfaſt faith to rely upon thy gracious and faithful promiſes. Let our converſation be without covetouſneſs, and make us content with ſuch things as we have, becauſe thou haſt ſaid, thou wilt never leave us, nor forſake us: by all the changes *Heb.* 13. 5.

we meet with in this World, prepare us, O Lord, for our laſt and great change, when we ſhall leave it; that death our laſt Enemy may be to us neither dangerous nor dreadful, but a ſweet and deſireable paſſage to a bleſſed, and glorious immortality.

And in theſe our Prayers we commend (allied by a common Brotherhood) all Mankind to thy Grace and Favour, heal the Sick, eaſe the pained, relieve the Oppreſſed, ſupply the Impoveriſhed, feed the Hungry, cloath the Naked, comfort the Diſconſolate, cauſe them that are diſquieted in Conſcience to Rejoyce, ſpread forth the knowledge of thy Son into all the dark corners of the World, that he may be thy Light and thy Salvation unto the end of the Earth. Let

Iſai. 49. 6.

Let thy continual pity cleanſe and defend thy Church, and becauſe it cannot continue in ſafety without thy ſuccour, preſerve it evermore by thy help, and goodneſs.

O be gracious and favourable to the Land of our Nativity, forgive all our crying Sins, avert thy threatned and approaching Judgments, cleanſe our defilements, heal our diviſions, ſtabliſh us in truth, righteouſneſs and peace, perpetuate thy Goſpel and Ordinances, the pledges of thy love and kindneſs, and grant that we may alway walk worthy of thoſe ineſtimable benefits.

Bleſs, preſerve, direct and proſper our Sovereign Lord the King, in all his thoughts, words and works, let him ever ſeek thy

honour and glory, and ſtudy to preſerve thy People committed to his charge, in wealth, peace and godlineſs. Let the Biſhops and Paſtors of thy Church by their heavenly Doctrine and exemplary Lives, their diligent labours, vigilant care, and prudent carriage, adorn the Goſpel, ſilence gainſayers, and win many to righteouſneſs: and let Magiſtrates by an equal and indifferent adminiſtration of Juſtice, uphold Religion and Virtue, and ſuppreſs Vice and Ungodlineſs; and grant that all under Authority may follow after Peace and Holineſs, obeying thoſe that are over them for conſcience ſake, loving and forbearing one another, leading quiet and peaceable Lives in all godlineſs and honeſty.

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Follow us with thy mercy and loving kindneſs this night, and let thy good providence, that neither ſlumbers nor ſleeps, defend and protect us, that no danger or diſturbance in the intermiſſion of our own thoughts, care and reaſon, harm or annoy us: And ſo repair our decaying ſpirits by a quiet and peaceful reſt, that we may ſerve thee with healthful bodies and cheerful minds, the next day, and all our days, till thou bringeſt us to that bleſſed ſtate where eating, and drinking, and ſleeping ſhall be no more, but we ſhall be eternally happy in praiſing and injoying thee through thy dear Son, our ever bleſſed Redeemer, through whoſe Merits alone we hope to be heard, and in whoſe words we further pray;

OUr Father which art in Heaven, hallowed be thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy Will be done in Earth, As it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily Bread. And forgive us our Treſpaſſes, As we forgive them that Treſpaſs againſt us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from Evil: For thine is the Kingdom, and the Power, And the Glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

Saturday

Saturday Morning.

O Eternal Lord God, the great Creator and Preſerver of Heaven and of Earth, and our moſt merciful Father in Chriſt Jeſus, Look down, we beſeech thee, from Heaven, upon us vile Duſt and Aſhes, and grant that when we call upon thee with our Lips, our Hearts may not be far from thee.

We do humbly acknowledge the great ſinfulneſs and corruption of our Natures; the blindneſs of our Minds, the perverſneſs of our Wills, the diſorder and depravedneſs of our affections, and the vanity of our thoughts. We acknowledge that we are by nature the Chil-

dren of Wrath, and that there is no ſound or clean part in us.

We do farther confeſs, that we have by many actual ſins made our ſelves more the Children of Wrath than we were by Nature. We confeſs our ſins of omiſſion as well as commiſſion, our ſins againſt Thee, our Brother and our own Souls. We have many ways offended thee in thought, word and deed: And if thou ſhouldſt mark Iniquities, we were not able to ſtand before thee.

We have ſinned againſt light and knowledge, after the greateſt of thy Mercies, under ſufficient means of Grace, after many and ſolemn Vows of better obedience. We have not been awakened out of our ſinful and careleſs

careleſs Life by the greateſt of thy Judgments; but have ſinned after the convictions of our own Conſciences, and the experience of the evil of departing from thee, after many confeſſions and many repetitions. We have grieved thy Spirit, defaced thy Image, miſpent our precious time, trifled in the great concernments of Eternity, and in great meaſure received the grace of thee our God in vain. We humble our ſelves before thee, O God, and deſire to be vile in our own Eyes, as we have made our ſelves ſo in thine. Enter not into Judgment with thy Servants, O Lord, for no Fleſh ſhall be juſtified in thy ſight.

Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy upon us for Jeſus

Jeſus Chriſt's ſake, who is the Propitiation for our Sins, and ever lives to make interceſſion for thoſe who come unto God by him.

Grant that he may not be an empty Name and Title to us, but that he may bleſs us in turning us from our Iniquities, and may give us Repentance as well as Forgiveneſs of Sins.

And we moſt humbly beſeech thee to give us thy holy Spirit; purifie and cleanſe our Hearts, and help us that we may fear, love and deſire thee above all things. Make us like unto thee, and help us that we may chearfully do and ſuffer thy whole Will. Supply all our wants, ſanctifie all thy dealings to us, direct us in our difficulties and enable us againſt our Sins. Deliver

Deliver us, O Lord, from every evil thing, from hardneſs of Heart, and contempt of thy Word: keep us from being tempted above what we are able, and enable us by thy Grace againſt the aſſaults of the Devil, the Temptations of the World and the Fleſh, and make us at the laſt partakers of Everlaſting Life.

Be merciful, we pray thee, to the whole World: enlarge the Kingdom of Chriſt, and let the whole World be filled with the knowledge of thee, and of thy Son, as the Waters cover the Sea.

Bleſs thy whole Church: reform whatever is amiſs in the belief or lives of Chriſtians: Grant that all who name the Name of Chriſt may depart from all Iniquity. Be

Be gracious to theſe Kingdoms. Pardon our Sins, pity our Diſtractions, heal our Breaches, unite us to one another, reconcile us all to thy Divine Majeſty, and defend us againſt our Enemies.

Eſpecially we pray thee to bleſs the King: endue his Heart with all the Graces of thy holy Spirit, defend Him againſt all His Enemies; bleſs Him in His Royal Relations, and teach His Senators wiſdom.

Bleſs all the Governours and Inſtructors of thy Church, and grant they may all in their ſeveral places anſwer the end of their Inſtitution and Appointment.

Pity all that are afflicted. Comfort them that mourn, viſit the Sick and Weak, have

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compaſſion on them who lye a dying, and take them not out of this Life before they are fitted for a better Life than this.

Bleſs all our Friends with all the Bleſſings of this and of a better Life. Forgive our Enemies, convert and turn their hearts.

We bleſs thee for all thy Mercies to us, both of this and a better Life: above all we bleſs thee for Jeſus Chriſt, humbly beſeeching thee, ſo to affect our hearts with the ſenſe of thy Mercies, that thy goodneſs may lead us to Repentance: And all we beg for Chriſt his ſake, who hath taught us, when we pray, to ſay;

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Saturday

Saturday Evening.

MOst gracious and ever bleſſed Lord God, and our moſt merciful Father in Chriſt Jeſus, we that are leſs than the leaſt of thy mercies, deſire in all humility to come into thy preſence, and beſeech thee for Chriſt's ſake, to have a regard unto us.

We do acknowledge before thee, our loſt and undone condition without thy great mercy towards us: we have grievouſly offended thee in thought, word and deed: been unthankful for thy Mercies, incorrigible under thy Judgments, and very unprofitable under the means of Grace. We humble

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our ſelves before thee for the Sins of our whole Life; and particularly for the Sins of this day, with all the circumſtances of aggravation, with which they have been attended.

Pardon us, O Lord, we humbly pray thee, for the ſake of Jeſus Chriſt who came into the World, to ſeek and to ſave that which was loſt. Give us a true faith in him, and work in us a ſincere and hearty repentance never to be repented of. And, we pray thee, aſſiſt us by thy Grace, that we may for the time to come, walk before thee in newneſs of Life.

Enlighten our Minds, rectifie our Wills, ſanctifie our Affections and purifie all the thoughts & intentions of our Hearts. Make us fit Temples for thy holy Spi-

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rit to dwell in, and grant that he who is in us may be greater than he who is in the World.

Be with us under all our Tryals and Temptations, and prepare us for all events of things. Sanctifie all thy diſpenſations to us, and give us Wiſdom and a ſaving Knowledge of thee and of thy Son. Make us humble and lowly, heavenly minded and pure in heart, patient under every trouble, contented in every condition, and reſigned to thy holy and heavenly Will.

And becauſe the way of Man is not in himſelf, we humbly pray thee to direct and guide us in the way that we ſhould go. Take care of our Affairs, proſper

ſper all our Undertakings which are agreeable to thy heavenly Will; help us that we may live Righteouſly, Soberly and Godly in this preſent World.

Caſt out of our mind every thing that is diſpleaſing to thee: diſcharge our Hearts of all Pride, Ambition, Covetouſneſs, Malice, Vain Conceit of our Selves. And grant that we may not be overcome by the Temptations of the Devil, the World and the Fleſh: And that we may not go out of this World with falſe hopes and expectations about us.

Prepare us, we pray thee, for our latter end. When our Heart and Fleſh ſhall fail us, be thou the ſtrength of our Heart and

and our Portion for ever: And ſuffer us not at our laſt hour for any Pains or Agonies of Death to fall away from thee: make us willing and ready to leave this World, whenſoever it ſhall pleaſe thee to call us hence.

Be merciful to the whole race of Mankind: Advance the Kingdom of Chriſt in the World; Let the People praiſe thee, O God, let all the People praiſe thee. Eſpecially be merciful to thy whole Church; Bleſs theſe Kingdoms, and ſettle us upon the Foundations of Righteouſneſs, of Truth and Peace.

Bleſs with the choiceſt of thy Bleſſings, our Sovereign Lord the King. Protect His Royal Perſon, bleſs His Government,

let His days be many and His Reign proſperous. And bleſs His Royal Relations, and ſucceed His Counſellors, and all in Authority under Him, and grant that under Him we may live quiet and peaceable Lives, in all godlineſs and honeſty.

Bleſs all that miniſter in holy things, and grant they may gain many unto Righteouſneſs.

Have compaſſion upon the Afflicted, upon the Oppreſſed and the Poor, upon Widows and Fatherleſs, upon all that are perſecuted for Righteouſneſs ſake, upon the Sick and the Weak, upon all that are troubled in mind, and at the point of Death: Be merciful to them all according

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ing to their ſeveral neceſſities.

We beſeech thee to be merciful to our Friends and to forgive all our Enemies.

We bleſs thy holy Name for all thy mercies to us and to all the World; for thy preſervation of us this day, for the means of Grace and the hope of Glory. We bleſs thee above all for Jeſus Chriſt, we praiſe thee for the clear revelation of thy Will the Promiſe of thy Spirit, the time and ſpace of Repentance which thou art pleaſed to continue to us; for any meaſure of Health and Strength, the many Mercies which we injoy, and which others want, and which we have been unthankful for. Write a Law of thankfulneſs upon our Hearts,

Hearts, we humbly pray thee, and grant that we may be bettered by all thy Mercies. Take us, we pray thee, into thy protection this night, ſanctifie and prepare our Hearts for all the ſolemn Duties and Services of the next Day, and grant all our Requeſts for Chriſt's ſake, in whoſe words we further call upon thee.

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